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UPDATE ON K9 DEEBO

Deebo is doing well given his circumstances and had a follow-up veterinary visit today. There is some swelling due to the trauma and the muscles that were torn from the knife that had to be surgically corrected. As you can see from the attached photos, Deebo has multiple stitches external as well as internal along with a drain tube sewn in place to reduce pressure and reduce swelling. The drain tube was scheduled to be out today but was left in place by Deebo's family veterinarian due to the concerns with the swelling.

Deebo appears to be in good spirits and just wants to play with his little brother K9 "Emmett", however, due to restrictions Deebo cannot play or return to work under the Doctors orders.

On the positive side, we have been receiving so many well wishes and support from people across our community and the country beyond. Deebo and his family along with the Saginaw Police Department family would like to extend our sincerest gratitude for all of the support we have received during this tragic event. We would especially like to thank Great Lakes Pet Emergencies for their excellent and immediate care of Deebo, along with the generous private donor that assisted with his vet bill.

Deebo's family is not able to honor any media interviews or questions at this time and ask for privacy while the investigation takes place. Click [here](#) to read a statement from the Saginaw Valley Police Canine Association.

To view photos of Deebo and his road to recovery, click [here](#).

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