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## VICE NEWS WINS GEORGE POLK AWARD FOR ONGOING COVERAGE INVESTIGATING THE BREONNA TAYLOR CASE



Correspondent Roberto Ferdman and the VICE News team recognized for continued coverage investigating the police shooting death of Breonna Taylor.

**BROOKLYN, NY (FEBRUARY 24)** – Long Island University (LIU) today honored Correspondent Roberto Ferdman and the VICE News team with the 2020 George Polk Award for Television Reporting for the organization’s exhaustive and wide-ranging coverage investigating the circumstances surrounding the police shooting death of 26-year-old emergency room technician, Breonna Taylor.

On March 13th, 2020, Louisville, KY police shot and killed Breonna Taylor in her home during a botched no-knock raid that shook the [nation](#). Following the international outcry over Ms. Taylor’s death, Ferdman, and a team of VICE News journalists produced a series of intricately reported pieces that uncovered a pattern of over-policing by the Louisville Metro Police Department, documented a culture within the department that ignored bad behavior by its officers, and unearthed important details contradicting official accounts of the raid made by those involved.

“The death of Ms. Breonna Taylor is a tragedy that shaped our nation’s ongoing reckoning around policing, race and accountability. We’re proud of this team, who worked tirelessly to report the whole story and returned to Louisville again and again until they found answers to so many unresolved questions,” said Subrata De, EVP, of VICE News. “It’s an honor to be recognized by our peers, but the continued impact of this reporting is the true achievement.”

The VICE News team contributing to this reporting is:

Correspondent: Roberto Ferdman  
Producers: Juanita Ceballos, Nicole Bozorgmir, Belle Cushing, Ani Ucar  
Executive Producer: Maral Usefi  
Senior Producers: Craig Thomson, Lena Jakobsson  
Associate Producers: David Mora, Rialda Zukić, Scott Mulligan  
Editors: Jeb Banegas, Anne Garrett, Andrew Pattison

The segments aired on VICE News Tonight, the Emmy® award-winning nightly newscast which airs weekdays at 11PM ET / PT on VICE TV. This is the second George Polk Award for the series, which won the Television Reporting award in 2017 for its groundbreaking coverage of the violent white supremacist rally in Charlottesville, VA.

VICE News will donate the George Polk Award honorarium to [Change Today. Change Tomorrow](#), a Louisville-based nonprofit devoted to eradicating barriers that affect the Black community and other marginalized populations in education, food justice and public health.

Nikki Egan is the Executive Producer of VICE News Tonight. Subrata De is EVP of VICE News and Jesse Angelo is President of Global News and Entertainment, VICE Media Group.

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