

Eugene Police Department Commendations

January 2020



The Eugene Police Department received 19 commendations from citizens in January, 2020. Below is a sample of those commendations.

- The Chief's Deputy from an outside agency sent a 'Thank You' letter to commend officers for the assistance provided to their agency in searching for a subject that had fled from arrest for APA. The subject also had their young child with them in extremely cold conditions that they were not dressed for. The search was extensive, but the subject and their child were located twenty-four hours later. Due to the duration of their exposure to the cold, the subject and child dealt with hypothermic related issues. The Chief's Deputy commented, "During this operation, every member of your department exhibited complete professionalism, patience and compassion during this event."
- A citizen commended an officer for the positive encounter they had the pleasure of experiencing recently. The citizen commented, "I found him to be one of the most articulate, wonderful and professional police officers that I've ever met in my life."
- Officers were praised by a citizen for their efforts related to a 'Criminal Mischief' call for service that the citizen had reported. The citizen commented, "The officers that showed up the other day did an amazing job...I appreciate their timely response and they were very professional."
- A community service officer was commended by a citizen for the crime prevention training that was presented to the neighborhood association that the citizen is a member of. The citizen commented, "I cannot praise her highly enough! (Officer's name) is knowledgeable, friendly, has great social skills and is an outstanding member of your force and our community. I wanted to thank you for this service and to acknowledge her skill and dedication."
- A citizen commended the Eugene Police Department for the overall impression that they have for the department. The citizen commented, "In my opinion, the Eugene City Police Department is probably the best police department in the United States of America."
- An officer was commended by a citizen for the exemplary community interaction they witnessed when the officer had stopped for a group of children that wanted to say hello and gave them high fives and badge stickers as they were passing by. The citizen commented, "I just thought it was very nice and very friendly for him to do that."

- A citizen commended a community service officer that had conducted a home security check for the citizen. The citizen commented, “She was very helpful - knowledgeable, charming, friendly and thorough. She answered all my questions, pointed out multiple things I am going to get to work on, and explained everything really well. Often she'd give several ideas to fix an issue - very helpful.”
- An officer was commended by a citizen for their kindness recently. The officer was off-duty at the time when they offered a helping hand to the citizen after they had been involved in a motor vehicle accident. The citizen commented on how “professional and respectful” the officer was and that officer “ensured the right information was obtained and retained” by the citizen.
- An officer from an outside agency thanked EPD officers for their effort in locating a missing person that had disappeared from a group home in the officer’s jurisdiction. The officer stated that the officers at EPD who located the missing person did an "outstanding job" and they "greatly appreciated" the assistance. The officer further commented that they “could not have worked this case without the help from EPD”.
- Officers were commended by a citizen for the job they did in placing the citizen’s son in custody with the hope that it will have a positive effect moving forward. The citizen praised the officers by saying, "I just wanted to personally thank them...for getting my son off the street before I get that phone call saying he died." The citizen further commented, "I wanted to make sure they knew that they have done a good thing. I know that he is not a choice citizen and they are trying to get him off the street, so he doesn't hurt anybody else, but there is always a mother involved. I wanted them to know how grateful I am."
- A citizen associated with a local sorority commended a community service officer for the De-Escalation/Personal Safety presentation that was given to members that live in the sorority houses. With recent issues in the news around sorority house safety concerns, the citizen was very appreciative for the officer’s outreach and commented, “It was fantastic...It was educational and hands on, teaching general principles and creative suggestions on keeping ourselves and others safe.”