

Eugene Police Department Commendations

August 2020



The Eugene Police Department received 31 commendations from citizens in August, 2020. Below is a sample of those commendations.

- A citizen sent a "Thank You" card praising the Eugene Police Department and showing their support for law enforcement. The citizen commented, "I appreciate your bravery and protecting us. There are no words big enough. There is no hug strong enough. There is not a smile wide enough. All I can offer is a Thank You. You are my heroes. You are in my thoughts and prayers for all you do."
- The Eugene Police Department was commended by a citizen for the way they've handled recent events since the incident in Minnesota involving Mr. George Floyd. The citizen commented, "I have appreciated the Eugene Police during my many years here, and I continue to appreciate them now." The citizen further commented, "Thank you for continuing your commitment to building a better police force and a relationship of greater trust in the community."
- A citizen commended officers that responded recently to a 'Suicidal Subject' call for service. The citizen was very impressed with how the officers handled the situation. The citizen commented, (Officers' names) were calm, patient, and compassionate in dealing with a suicidal minor and her family...The call concluded with CAHOOTS transporting the minor to the hospital for a mental health evaluation. (Officers' names) are consistently helpful on these types of calls."
- An officer was commended by a citizen for their caring approach in responding to a 'Theft' call for service that the citizen had been a victim of. The citizen had their purse snatched from their vehicle while parking and leaving for a moment. Once the officer arrived, the citizen felt that the officer really took the time and displayed a lot of patience in dealing with the incident. The citizen commented, "She was very polite. She was very patient...she was just great. It was important to her because it was important to me."
- A citizen commended an officer for their professionalism related to a harassment case that the officer had been assisting with. The citizen commented, "I feel like he kind of went above and beyond in making sure that I knew everything that was going on and letting me know with how it was proceeding...It really helped a lot."
- Officers received accolades from a citizen for their assistance in dealing with a transient that had been

walking around, screaming and attempting to enter different structures within the citizen's neighborhood. The event was quite disturbing for the citizen. The citizen commented, "I felt fifty pounds off my shoulders and I actually slept well last night. For me, it was a great big favor!"

- A citizen commended a call-taker for their helpfulness and kindness during a recent call to the non-emergency line that the citizen had placed. The citizen commented, "That woman was on it!" The citizen further stated, "What a lovely human being."
- The Eugene Police Department received high praise from a citizen for the way the recent riot events have been followed up with. The citizen commented, "I am so very grateful that the Eugene Police Department is actually catching rioters who are destroying, being destructive to buildings and property...I just want to say, Good Job Eugene Police!"
- A citizen commended an officer for their assistance and compassion related to a sexual assault case where the citizen had been a victim. The citizen commented, "He saved my life...He's a really a great person. I mean all of Eugene PD is. It's just that this man has a gift. He's a very good officer."

- A letter was recently received from a citizen commending the Eugene Police Department. In the letter, the citizen commented, "In these days of unrest, riots and uncertainty, I just want you and your force to know that I'm one of many who really appreciate your service. I am one of many who regularly pray for you and every officer, plus your families. Thank you for your service. Your blue line stands between us and chaos. Though, I'm not in the street making noise, I'm one of a host of civilians who hold you all in high esteem."
- A local couple extended their formal appreciation for a community service officer. The officer had recently investigated a report of the couple's vehicle that had been stolen. The couple commented, "Within hours after our report, (officer's name) first called; when he couldn't reach us, he took the time to stop at our house to ask about the theft and make a report. Throughout our communication, (officer's name) was professional, courteous, and thorough. At the same time, he presented an aura of friendliness and warmth. (Officer's name) combines thorough professionalism with easy human interaction, and as such sets an example of public service to other officials. We sincerely thank him."