

# Eugene Police Department Commendations

## November 2020



### **The Eugene Police Department received 21 commendations from citizens in November, 2020. Below is a sample of those commendations.**

- A citizen sent a note to commend the Eugene Police Department for their service to the community. Within the note, the citizen commented, "I saw an article on your website "Eugene Police Hosts De-Escalation Instructor Training for Regional Law Enforcement". Thank you for supporting this...I believe we need to understand and get along with each other. Thank you for your service!"
- Officers were commended by an outside agency for their collaboration and assistance in dismantling a "major international drug trafficking organization" based within the county. A representative from the outside agency commented that the coordination of the agencies "further demonstrates how effective law enforcement is when we work together."
- A citizen commended an officer for the "outstanding work" that was displayed during a high-risk sex offender investigation last year. The officer's efforts led to a federal sex offender investigation by a federal agency. The sex offender was ultimately convicted and sentenced for their crimes. The citizen commented, "(Officer's name) conducts outstanding investigations and has become one of the best sex offender investigators in the state." The citizen further commented, "(Officer's name) work in support of the sex offender mission has kept Eugene safer and has directly protected children, including unhoused juveniles."
- A citizen sent a 'Thank You' note to show their appreciation for the officers that had assisted their spouse recently. The citizen's spouse had become disoriented and unable to locate their automobiles within the downtown corridor. The citizen commented, "I just want to express my thanks to all of you who were involved in the recovery of my husband's cars last Monday. You were all very kind and helpful and I very much appreciate your help."
- An animal welfare officer was commended by a citizen for their assistance in dealing with an ongoing issue involving a neighbor's dog that had been continually barking. The citizen commented, "I tried to work with them initially, but they told me there was nothing they could do about their dog barking. I called in to make a report and the problem has since stopped. I just wanted to say thank you for all you guys do. I know how busy it has been and I am so happy they took the time to resolve this. Thanks!"

- A citizen commended the department for the ongoing investigation efforts and arrests related to the protests/riot events that took place earlier this year. The citizen owns a business in the downtown corridor and felt the impact of what had transpired. The citizen commented, "I just want you to know as a citizen, taxpayer, and a property owner, I really appreciate that!"
- Officers and detectives were commended by a citizen for saving the citizen's life. The citizen had been involved in a stabbing incident where lifesaving measures were performed by the responding officers. The citizen commented, "If it weren't for the incredible officers on your team, I would not be here. (Officer's name) actions that night no doubt made it possible for me to survive and to celebrate my son's 7th birthday last month. (Detective's name) has also been incredible as our detective. He kept me informed every step of the way in the early stages and arranged a meeting for me to thank (in person!) all the men and women who worked together to get help to me and keep my mom and son safe. There will never be enough words to thank everyone who was there that very early morning, but I feel fortunate to have had the chance to build relationships with some of them."
- A citizen commended an officer for their professionalism during a recent traffic stop. The citizen had received a warning from the officer for a traffic infraction during the stop. The citizen commented, "He was super professional, and I'm thankful for the warning! And I promise to not speed through there anymore."
- An officer received praise from a citizen and their spouse for their professional response during a 'Burglary' call for service. The citizen commented, "We thought he was helpful, compassionate, and a wonderful person." The citizen further stated that the officer "did a thorough job."
- An outside agency employee sent a letter of appreciation commending the animal welfare personnel for their assistance during the Holiday Farm Fire, which caused the displacement of many livestock and other animals. The outside agency employee commented, "I consider our response and evacuation efforts largely successful due to our collaboration with a number of partners committed to a common goal. We count the Eugene Police Department - Animal Services Program as a part of this successful outcome."
- Call takers were commended by a citizen for assisting their daughter in recovering her missing dog recently. The citizen commented, "Our daughter reported her dog missing this morning and called the Eugene Police. Her dog means the world to her. Thank you for taking her report seriously and ultimately helping connect her to the woman who had managed to find him. We are so grateful for all you do. Thanks."