



Eugene Police Department Commendations

December 2020



The Eugene Police Department received 18 commendations from citizens in December, 2020. Below is a sample of those commendations.

- A citizen commended officers for their response to a call for service that was placed when a subject had injected them self with drugs on a sidewalk within the citizen's neighborhood. The citizen commented, "I just wanted to say my roommate and I really appreciate what was done. Thank you very much for protecting our street."
- A citizen expressed thanks to the officers that had identified the man-door into the citizen's garage was standing open with the keys left in it during the early morning hours. Thankfully, the citizen had just neglected to close and lock it after returning the garbage cans to the garage that evening. The officers checked the situation and notified the citizen of the open door. The citizen commented, "The officers were very courteous and professional, despite the fact that I came out in my sweats, sans shirt or shoes, in all my 4:00 AM glory. In spite of my security lapse, I was glad to see that the officers patrolling our neighborhood are so attentive to the small details, it's done a lot to allay family's anxiety."
- An officer was commended by a citizen for their assistance with the recovery of tools that were stolen from a jobsite where the citizen had been working. The citizen commented, "I would like to commend (officer's name) for his great service. Tools were stolen off a jobsite this morning. Literally, within one hour (officer's name) located suspect, cited suspect, and retrieved my equipment. Thank you (officer's name). Thank you, Eugene Police Department!"
- A call taker was praised by a citizen for their patience and kindness when the citizen placed a call for service on Christmas morning. The citizen commented, "I was really at my limit and she was able to stay calm and keep me calm. She was working on the holiday and she just deserves a whole lot of thank you."
- An officer was commended by a citizen for their response to a 'Criminal Mischief' call for service that had been placed when a subject had thrown their body onto the citizen's vehicle while they were inside visiting a relative. The officer was able to assist with the situation and provided information on what the citizen should do moving forward. The citizen stated, "He just was great! I love the way the Eugene Police force seems to conduct themselves. It just doesn't feel hostile."
- Officers were commended by a citizen for their prompt response and professionalism in dealing with a call for service for an attempted burglary at the citizen's residence. The citizen commented, "Your officers are great. I had someone trying to break into my home about an hour ago and they came and dealt with it. I just want to let you know that we're very appreciative for the police and for your help. I want those guys to know how grateful I am that they came when they did."

- A citizen commended a community service officer that assisted with a bike theft case that stemmed from a recent residential burglary. The citizen expressed how much they appreciated the officer's help. The citizen noted the "great work" that had been done during the case which ultimately led to the recovery of the bike.
- Officers were commended by a citizen for their "response, aptitude and compassion" related to a 'Dispute' call for service the citizen had placed. The citizen heard some unhoused neighbors fighting outside of their home. When the citizen went to investigate the situation, one of the subjects alleged that someone had assaulted her. When officers arrived, they spoke to all parties and further investigated the situation. The citizen commented, "(Officer's names) did an excellent job de-escalating the situation, ensured that everyone felt safe, and provided great service to the woman in distress. These officers were kind and receptive to my neighbors although they are unhoused. These three officers treated them with respect and provided them the same level of service as someone living in a house could expect."
- A citizen commended officers for their swift response to the citizen's call for service when a subject was trespassing on their property. The citizen commented, "Shout out to EPD for responding so quickly when my 7-year-old daughter caught this guy sneaking around our house, Grinch style, and tried to steal my kids' scooters. After I verbally confronted him multiple times, from my kitchen window, he took shelter from my mama bear like roar in our play structure...Super shout out to CAHOOTS for making a stop last night for crisis counseling for my girls."
- Officers were commended by a citizen for their compassion of an autistic subject during a 'Disorderly Subject' call for service. The citizen commented, "They explained to (subject's name) what was going on and why, and also took the time to explain to the neighborhood. It was touching to see and thank you."