



Eugene Police Department Commendations

April 2021



The Eugene Police Department received 10 commendations from citizens in April, 2021. Below is a sample of those commendations.

- An officer was commended by a citizen for their professionalism during a traffic accident incident. The citizen was very impressed with the officer's overall demeanor in how the incident was handled. The citizen commented, "Young professionals like (officer's name) give me confidence that Eugene Police are doing the best they can to deliver services for the citizens of our town. A great reflection on your whole department."
- A citizen commended officers for their prompt response and tactfulness in dealing with an unruly subject at a local grocery store. The citizen commented, "These two officers were courteous, professional and efficient. I was very proud of their conduct."
- An officer received accolades from a citizen for the way they dealt with a subject reported by a local restaurant to have been falling asleep on a table, incoherent, and not leaving when asked. The citizen commented, "He handled it beautifully, respectfully, got the fellow outside, and Cahoots ultimately arrived and took him. Granted, he wasn't belligerent, and this seemed to be a medical issue which of course was part of the assessment and triage. But it was positive for all concerned in my opinion."
- Children from a local school sent 'Thank You' cards to express their appreciation for the Eugene Police Department. Written on the front of the envelope that accompanied the cards was the following: "Thank you for all you do to keep our community safe. Thank you for the millions of unseen ways you serve us, the ways you go above and beyond your job description when you see a need. You are appreciated!"
- A citizen commended the Eugene Police Department personnel for their response to a noise disturbance that took place at their neighbor's residence recently. The citizen commented, "Most recently, I called the non-emergency line to report crazy loud music from the rental next door but did not expect officers to respond and I made that clear to the person I spoke with (I wish I could remember her name...very helpful and professional). In any case, less than thirty minutes later, I saw two officers go to the neighbor's door and have a discussion. As luck would have it, the music had stopped by then, but nevertheless, we appreciate the effort!"
- A citizen sent a 'Thank You' card to express their gratitude for the officers that participated as honor guard members during the memorial service for the citizen's spouse. The citizen commented, "I know you all feel honored to do what you did, for fellow officers, but I wonder if you truly understand what it does for those left behind. Though our hearts are breaking, and sorrow runs deep, your actions and these memorial gatherings actually help the healing process to begin... It reminds

us that the reason they are gone is so much bigger than us and makes us proud to have been a part of it."

- A detective from an outside agency sent a letter to express their appreciation for the officers that assisted in the arrest of a homicide suspect. The detective's agency had been investigating the homicide incident since 2010, but the case had gone cold until new evidence, based on DNA, had become available. The Eugene Police Department was able to provide surveillance of the suspect and SWAT assisted with the planning and apprehension of the suspect. The detective commented, "The Eugene Police Department's cooperation greatly assisted the (name of agency) with this investigation. I was able to rely on your staff to carry out a covert operation and adequately document it...We greatly appreciate it."