



# Eugene Police Department Commendations

## September 2021



### The Eugene Police Department received 12 commendations from citizens in September, 2021. Below is a sample of those commendations.

- A citizen commended an officer that responded to a call for service when the citizen had found their spouse deceased. The citizen commented, "You responded to my house...in response to my wife's death. You were so kind and helpful through this painful process. Thank you again."
- An officer was praised by a citizen for their professionalism and positive demeanor when the officer responded to the citizen's call for service due to a 'Hit and Run' incident. The citizen was very appreciative of the prompt response and commented, "He was just so nice, very polite, very kind...I just appreciated his work ethic and pleasant demeanor."
- A citizen commended officers for their professionalism when they arrived at the citizen's home to conduct a 'Patrol Check'. The citizen was very impressed with the officers' demeanor during their interaction with the citizen's son and girlfriend. The citizen commented, "I just want to commend the police that came to my house last night for just being amazingly kind and wonderful...They were just terrific!"
- Detectives received high praise from a citizen for their thorough investigation and support related to a domestic violence case where the citizen was a victim. The citizen commented, "You guys and gals went above and beyond to help my justice get served. Domestic violence victims sadly don't always see and get to have the support I got. I feel very blessed that I had such a loyal, honest and hardworking team. I promise I will advocate for all other survivors going forward and you will never see me in this situation again. I am truly happy to have another chance to turn my life around with my girls."
- A citizen commended officers for their compassion while responding to a call for service where the citizen went to check on an elderly friend and had found them to be deceased. The citizen commented, "Your officer (officer's name) was very helpful to us in making sure the correct steps were taken."
- Officers were commended by a citizen that witnessed the positive interaction the officers had with a subject that was contemplating suicide near a bridge within the city. The citizen commented, "They acted with great compassion, telling the person in distress that they weren't officers right then, but just people who care how he was doing. They successfully got the man to sit down to talk with them, acting with sincere respect and kindness the whole time." The citizen further stated, "The experience gave me renewed respect for everyone that responds to the mental health emergencies in our community..."
- A citizen expressed their appreciation for officers that responded to a 'Burglary' that the citizen had reported. The citizen thought that the officers were very "brave, kind and polite"

during their interaction with the officers. The citizen commented, "They were really a great example of what policemen should be."

- A detective was complimented by a citizen for their assistance related to a shoplifting case. During the investigation, the detective showed great concern and compassion for the citizen and their business. The citizen commented, "He was instrumental in arresting the worst shoplifter we have seen in over 20 years of business." The citizen further commented, "(Detective's name) kept me informed during the entire investigation process and made me feel that my business was important to EPD and this behavior was not going to be tolerated."

- An officer received high praise from an outside agency for their contribution during the 2021 Olympic Trials as a Joint Law Enforcement Team Member. The officer's role was significant in ensuring the safety and security for all that were in attendance during the event. A representative from the outside agency commented, "This grand event was safely, and therefore successfully, attended by participants and spectators alike and YOU were a part of this success. Moreover, we would like to bring to remembrance that the heat wave and pandemic added to the level of intensity in which all adjustments deemed necessary were completed in part due to partners working together."