

TO:	Mayor Block, Interim Chairperson Board of Police Commissioners
FROM:	Cameron McBride Office of the Chief
DATE:	2025 January 9
SUBJECT:	Appreciation to the Saskatoon Police Service
FILE #:	12,002

ISSUE:

To keep the Board of Police Commissioners apprised of appreciation and recognition to the Saskatoon Police Service.

<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>:

That this report be received as information.

STRATEGIC PRIORITY:

This report supports the strategic theme of Communication by ensuring accessibility and enhancing communications with the public.

DISCUSSION:

The following items of appreciation/thanks were sent to the SPS as a result of communications and/or partnership opportunities in the community. They reflect a positive reaction from the public or are a recognition of service provided.

When a communication is received it is sent through the appropriate chain of command to ensure the members involved also receive it. In addition, a copy is sent to the Office of the Chief of Police.

Sent: December 29, 2024 8:08 PM To: Police - Info Mailbox <<u>police.info@Police.Saskatoon.sk.ca</u>> Subject: Chanukah celebration

Good evening, firstly I'd like to thank your service for providing safety and security at the Chanukah menorah lighting celebration. Secondly, your officers were top shelf as they displayed a willingness to engage celebration goers and were very friendly. I whole heartedly appreciate your professionalism and the level of service you provide 24/7.

With gratitude,

Subject: Feedback

To: "Horvath, Michael (Police)" <<u>Michael.Horvath@Police.Saskatoon.Sk.CA</u>>,"McBride, Cameron (Police)" <<u>Cameron.McBride@Police.Saskatoon.Sk.CA</u>> Cc: Hey

I wanted to let you know the staff at the dropin have shared how great the officers around the neighborhood are. It was shared with me that they have been so friendly, understanding and patient. Please let your officers know our team at the dropin is grateful for the care and understanding they have been showing with the people who access the building.

From:

Sent: December 10, 2024 10:46 AM

To: Police - Media < media@police.saskatoon.sk.ca>

Subject: RE: Saskatoon Police Service - News Release 2024-0710 - Medical Incident - Baby Delivered in Vehicle

How incredibly wonderful and heartwarming! Above and beyond call of duty. Thank you to this Officer, and Merry Christmas! I'm sure this couple is incredibly thankful.

------ Original message ------From: <u>media@police.saskatoon.sk.ca</u> Date: 2024-12-10 10:22 a.m. (GMT-06:00) To: Subject: Saskatoon Police Service - News Release 2024-0710 - Medical Incident - Baby Delivered in Vehicle

Saskatoon Police Service **BE THE DIFFERENCE**

<u>Medical Incident - Baby Delivered in Vehicle</u> December 10, 2024 10:15AM, Release 2024-0710

A new mother and her newborn are safe in hospital following a medical emergency last night.

At approximately 8:15 p.m., December 10, 2024, an SPS Sgt. was on patrol when he responded to a call for emergency assistance at 25th Street and 3rd Avenue. The caller reported that his wife was in labour, inside the vehicle and he did not believe they would reach a hospital in time for the delivery. When the Sgt. arrived he coached the woman through a final push, resulting in the birth of the baby.

The SPS is so pleased our Sgt. was able to assist in this unique call for service.

Hello,

I was involved in a car accident this evening on the corner of Clarence and 8th St.

Officer #978 (Austin) arrived at the scene and was exemplary. I wanted to leave a Google review, but it appears that reviews have been turned off. You guys likely don't get a lot of good feedback, so I wanted to take the time to say how much I appreciated Austin, and how well he did. He was truly outstanding; professional, personable, and reliable. I am so grateful for the time and care he took for both my family and myself.

Thank you,



From: Sent: November 1, 2024 18:49 To: Police - Info Mailbox <<u>police.info@Police.Saskatoon.sk.ca</u>> Subject: Officer compliment on Halloween night

Hi there, I just wanted to email in and say hats off to the officer that was driving around my area with his lights on and saying Happy Halloween to the kids. My daughter, was dressed up as a police officer, and when I asked if I could take a picture with her by the car he never hesitated one second. He took a picture with her . She was beyond excited so thank you.

-----Original Message-----

From: Sent: Sunday, October 27, 2024 6:50 PM

To: Police - Community Engagement <<u>community.engagement@Police.Saskatoon.Sk.CA</u>> Subject: Thank-you mystery SPS officers

Hello SPS,

Thank-you to the officers who pulled my 16-year old daughter over just after midnight last night (Oct 26-27). She was driving without headlights on and didn't realize it.

My gratitude for the way you approached this circumstance is greater than I can express. You saw the situation for what it was...a conscientious and careful kid, excited and anxious about a newfound level of independence offered by a driver's license (obtained just 6 days ago) who made a mistake.

You didn't belittle her. There was no power trip. You treated her with dignity, taking the time to respectfully point out a few things on the dash she needed to be reminded of. You reinforced the idea that along with new freedoms comes massive responsibility.

She called me afterwards. She was a bit rattled and "so so sorry mom". I thanked her for letting me know, told her I was relieved she was safe, and reminded her to make sure she felt calm before driving home. She took a few deep breaths, we ended our call, then I took mine. It was immediately clear to me that she'll never make that mistake again. Perfect.

The adage "It takes a village to raise a child" is so very true here. It may have felt routine to you, just part of the job, but let me just say...parenting is hard, and you were both my village. I recognize there could have been a much worse outcome. But there wasn't because of you. You kept her safe. You kept her friend in the passenger seat safe. You kept other drivers on the road safe. You taught both kids in that car how to be better next time.

Once again SPS officers, whoever you are, thank-you for this and all you do!

One grateful Saskatoon mom,

From: Sent: September 19, 2024 1:17 PM To: Police - Info Mailbox <<u>police.info@Police.Saskatoon.sk.ca</u>> Subject: Thank You

Hello:

On behalf of myself and our son we wanted to recognize and sincerely thank one of your officers for helping us out.

September 17/24 a member of the Church noted sitting in his grey truck on their lot obviously in distress and thus called your Department.

One of your officers, my apology I can't remember his name, brought home to . The officer was absolutely the best. His action and compassion deserves recognition. It is presently in hospital recovering from a stroke.

Thank you to all the members who keep us safe. Stay well.

In reference to the SPS podcast – Deals, Debts and Death – The Disappearance of Kandice Singbeil.

This podcast was so informative and put the life of this young woman / mother in the spotlight. I hope it reaches people who can help solve her disappearance. Thanks for doing this SPS!

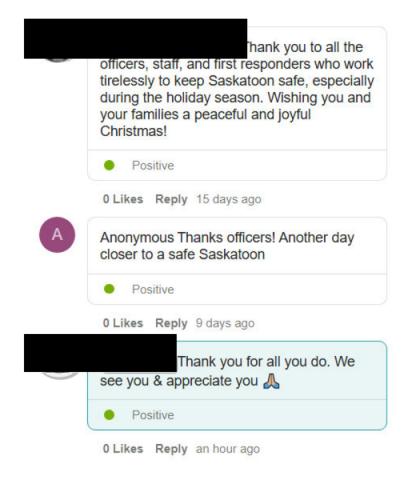
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I'm so grateful the last time I called due to sketchiness in my neighborhood, SPS responded SO QUICKLY!! Thank you for keeping us safe. Merry Christmas to you all.

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