

**QUINCY POLICE DEPARTMENT
EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH
NOVEMBER 1, 2019**



November 1, 2019

To Whom It May Concern,

It is with great pleasure that I announce Officer Kenyell Bailey has been selected as Employee of the Month for November 2019.

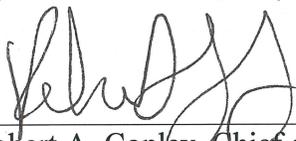
Officer Bailey joined the Quincy Police Department on May 8, 1995. She graduated from basic police training at PTI on August 3, 1995. In addition to her assignment as a Patrol Officer, she has been a Field Training Officer, a CIT Officer, a Crisis Negotiator, a Recruiting Officer, a member of the Honor Guard, and a member of the ILEAS Region 6 Mobile Field Force Team. Further, she has been certified in Breath Alcohol Operation, ARIDE, Bicycle Patrol, Juvenile Officer, and has performed the duties of Taser Instructor and Less Lethal Munitions Instructor. During her tenure with the department, Officer Bailey has been recognized for her performance through several Letters of Commendation and was selected as Employee of the Month for August 2000.

Officer Bailey was nominated for this award due to her selfless actions in assisting a citizen of Quincy who was in dire need.

On October 19, 2019, Officer Bailey was dispatched to a person lying on the ground near the car wash at 4th and Cedar. As it turns out, the woman was homeless. At the onset, she was rude to Officer Bailey, cursing at her. Officer Bailey did not let that deter her, as she immediately began making phone calls in attempt to get this homeless person some help. All of the local shelters were at full capacity, as they often are this time of year. That did not stop Officer Bailey, who took the woman to the Salvation Army Thrift Store and got her some warm clothes. She also provided a meal to the woman as the soup kitchen was closed at the time. Officer Bailey made good use of the resources and contacts she has made over the years. By contacting some churches, Officer Bailey was able to get enough monetary donations for the woman to be put up in a motel for a week.

What began as a confrontational encounter, turned into a much needed show of concern and compassion. I know that Officer Bailey exemplifies the spirit of community service, as she has displayed this type of care and concern for the citizens of Quincy numerous times in the past. I want to thank Officer Bailey for reminding all of us that we are here to help others, regardless of their lot in life, and that it is not how we are treated, but how we treat others that is important.

Please join me in congratulating Officer Bailey for being selected as the Quincy Police Department Employee of the Month.


Robert A. Copley, Chief of Police