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Subject: Commendations for Excellent Police Work

**Detective Sergeant Matthew McDonnell
Detective David Wagner
Patrol Officer Shannon Goodrich**

On January 25, 2022, at approximately 02:25 am, Brookline Communications received a call from the Boston College Police Department regarding an active fire at 89 Woodland Rd. Boston College PD had been made aware of the active fire by one of their officer's, Officer Jorge Ortiz, who had been patrolling their property at 400 Heath St. Officer Ortiz further provided information relative to an individual he saw at the same time as he observed the active fire. Officer Ortiz was exiting the side of the property of 400 Heath St. onto Woodland Rd. and observed a white, skinny male, 5'11-6'00, in his late teens-early twenties, who was wearing a dark colored winter coat, a black beanie cap, who was also on his cell phone as he passed. Officer Ortiz and this individual made eye contact and the individual continued walking on Woodland Rd. away from the fire scene towards Hammonds St. It should be noted that the weather on this night were cold (27 degrees) and there was an approximate ½ inch of fresh pristine snow on most of the ground at this hour with no foot traffic outside aside from the one individual observed and described by Officer Ortiz.

Brookline Police and Fire Units responded to 89 Woodland and the fire was extinguished without delay. Det. Wagner along with Fire Prevention began an investigation into the fire which included requesting services of the MA State Police and their accelerant detection dogs. It was learned that the house was unoccupied and in the process of future rehabilitation and development.



Brookline Officers were unable to immediately locate the described individual observed by Officer Ortiz, however Officer Shannon Goodrich observed a single set of fresh footprints away from the direction of the fire address that continued on Woodland Rd. towards Glenoe Rd. to Hammond St., left onto Hammond St. through Horace James Rotary to Wolcott Rd. Officer Goodrich notified Detective Wagner who continued following the footsteps from Wolcott Rd. where Patrol Officer Goodrich last observed them to an address on Shaw Rd., a total distance of approximately 1.4 miles.

After following the footprints to this Shaw Rd. location, Detective Wagner notified the Patrol Supervisor and they contacted the residents of this address. Upon making contact, Detective Wagner learned that an 18-year-old male resided at this location, who in fact fit the physical description of the individual observed walking nearby the fire scene by BCPD Officer Ortiz. While inside of the home, Detective Wagner also made plain view observations of a pair of wet shoes that belonged to the 18-year-old male. Detective Wagner tried to conduct an interview of the male, however the individual did not wish to speak without an attorney present. From interviews with the mother of the individual, Det. Wagner was able to determine that the male was a smoker, who liked to go for walks late at night, and whose mother had last seen him at 11pm the night prior on January 24th. The individual's mother also provided her last clothing description of her son which matched that of the individual observed by Officer Ortiz.

From the joint fire investigation, Detective Wagner, the Brookline PD Arson Investigator, determined that this was likely a result of Arson to the property due to the fact that there was no functioning gas utility to the home, no electricity, and therefore no source of ignition aside from that by human means. In the days following, additional members of the Detective Bureau conducted a video evidence canvass of homes within the area and recovered video evidence. From the video evidence, Detectives were able to place who they believed was the same individual and suspect in the close vicinity of the fire address from 12:56 am - 2:31 am. In particular at 1:06 am, the individual was observed walking onto the property of 89 Woodland Rd. and close to the home, at which point fire began to flash and show on the video surveillance. At approximately 2:01-2:06 am, the individual was also observed nearby the residence, and could be observed with a cell phone illuminated in hand, and placing fresh footprint marks in the snow. At 2:31 am, Boston College PD, Officer Ortiz was then observed exiting onto Woodland and the suspect was observed, all illustrating a consistent account of what Officer Ortiz relayed.

As a result of this, coupled with all of the above information, a search warrant was sought by Detective Wagner for the Shaw Rd. residence for evidence in the form of clothing, a cellular phone, and an ignition source. Items seized pursuant to the search warrant included a jacket, winter hat, jeans, footwear that matched the impressions in the snow, and a cell phone (Apple I-phone). Detectives did not place the Shaw Rd. resident under arrest at the conclusion of the search warrant, but continued their investigation, specifically with regard to seeking and analyzing more video evidence in which they were able to obtain and further solidify the Shaw Rd. resident as being on the property itself and within the vicinity for the above time frame and believed him to have set and continued to watch the fire at 89 Woodland Rd. for approximately an hour and a half before walking away from the scene.



From the initial discovery of the fire by Boston College Police Officer Jorge Ortiz and further investigation conducted from the initial fire scene by Patrol Officer Goodrich, Detective Wagner and additional members of the department, an arrest warrant was able to be sought and issued on February 1, 2022, for the Shaw Rd. resident for the charges of Arson and Firefighter Injured during Arson (as one Brookline Firefighter received minor injuries). On February 2, 2022, the Shaw Rd. resident was placed under arrest on the above warrant without incident.

On February 4, 2022, Detective Sergeant McDonnell informed Detective Wagner of an intelligence flyer which had been distributed by the MA State Police Fire and Explosion Investigation Section and the Everett Police Department which depicted "person of interest" photos relative to a fire in Everett at 69 Norman St. on January 23, 2022 at approximately 11pm. The fire was believed to be an act of arson at an abandoned warehouse at the Duncan Galvanized Warehouse, which led to a large-scale fire and several fire resources committed in the firefighting efforts at this location. The person of interest shown in the images circulated appeared to be the same suspect from the Brookline incident from January 25th and arrested in Brookline on February 2nd, 2022. The suspect was even wearing a jacket consistent with that seized by Brookline Detectives on January 25th during the search warrant. As a result of joint agency cooperation with the Everett PD and the MA State Police Fire and Explosion Investigation section, an arrest warrant was sought by the Everett Police Department and issued for additional charges of Arson on February 7, 2022. The suspect was placed under arrest in Brookline on February 8, 2022 and is currently going through the court process to answer to these charges.

Due to the efforts of Boston College Police Department Officer Jorge Ortiz in conducting his duties on the overnight shift on January 25th, he observed and alerted the Brookline PD without delay to the fire located at 89 Woodland Rd. which had been going for nearly an hour and a half. Officer Ortiz further observed an individual in the close proximity and obtained a detailed description that allowed investigators to further investigate and expand their search. Patrol Officer Goodrich conducted a thorough canvas from the scene which allowed her to observe footwear impression evidence and alerted Detective Wagner to continue investigation into the footwear impression from the vicinity of the scene which led investigators to the residence of a potential suspect. A thorough video canvass was undertaken by several members of the Detective Bureau which further solidified this individual as the suspect and allowed Detectives to apply for a search warrant to obtain additional evidence to place the suspect at the scene in the form of matching clothing, footwear, ignition source, and a cellular telephone.

Further, the collaborative efforts within the Detective Bureau of the Brookline Police Department and staying on top of intelligence shared through the Commonwealth Fusion Center and the Boston Regional Intelligence Center (BRIC) allowed all agencies including the Everett Police Department, the MA State Police Fire & Explosion Investigation Section to work collaboratively and locate the individual responsible for their acts of arson in Everett on January 23rd and identify who investigators believe could be a potential serial arsonist. The investigation is currently still ongoing with respect to a future search of the suspect's cell phone which could potentially link him to additional incidents. Detectives have already applied for a search of the suspect's cellular telephone device and additional electronic evidence.

Based on all of the information above, the collaborative efforts, persistence, teamwork and remarkable investigation work, Detective Sergeant Matthew McDonnell, Detective David Wagner and Patrol Officer Shannon Goodrich will all receive Certificates of Commendation as well as Letters of Commendation.



Patrol Officer Cheryl Molloy

On January 26th 2022 Brookline Control Dispatched several units to Franklin Court for a family disturbance involving a 13-year-old child, attempting to assault their mother with a knife. The child suffers from autism and suffers from emotional behavioral disorder including aggressive behavior and suicidal ideations. This family is well known to the Brookline Police through numerous requests for assistance and previous interactions.

Officer Cheryl Molloy was the first officer to arrive. Upon Officer Molloy's arrival the child had exited the family's residence, clenching a large kitchen knife in hand, the child's arm was raised pointing the knife at Officer Molloy. Officer Molloy was able to quickly recognize the child was suffering from a mental episode and began an attempt to establish a dialogue while maintaining a safe distance. The child was yelling incoherently at Officer Molloy and the mother of the child who was also outside.

The child then began to advance towards Officer Molloy clenching the knife again arm extended towards Officer Molloy. Officer Molloy continued her attempts to de-escalate this situation and began to retreat slowly backwards while repeatedly issuing verbal commands. Finally, the child discarded the knife to the ground and proceeded to charge at Officer Molloy. Officer Molloy was able to defend off the physical attack until additional units arrived and they were able to restrain the child who continued to kick, bite and spat at officers and Fallon Paramedics. The child was subsequently transported to the Children's Hospital for a psychological evaluation.

At no point did Patrol Officer Molloy un-holster her department issued firearm. Officer Molloy demonstrated tremendous control and restraint while facing a dangerous situation. The actions of Patrol Officer Cheryl Molloy in remaining composed in this adverse situation and using de-escalation techniques demonstrated excellent police work. Officer Cheryl Molloy was able to recognize that this child was having a mental crisis situation and defused a critical situation with compassion and understanding. For her exceptional high degree of situation awareness and professionalism Patrol Officer Cheryl Molloy will receive both a Certificate of Commendation as well as a Letter of Commendation.

Detective Sergeant Brian Sutherland Detective Duane Danforth

In late January 2022, Brookline Police Officers responded to an address in South Brookline where a woman reported she had just escaped a kidnapping and was the victim of human trafficking. Detective Lieutenant O'Neill and Detective Danforth arrived on scene and gathered initial information. Investigators then ensured the victim was taken to a place she felt safe.

Based on initial statements on scene the Boston Police Human Trafficking Unit and FBI Human Trafficking Task Force were notified. Arrangements were made to immediately provide the victim services and assistance. Brookline Detectives worked closely with Sergeant Detective Marc Sullivan, Detective Anthony Williams, and Detective Marivelle Crespo due to the multijurisdictional nature of the case.



In the days that followed a thorough interview was conducted by Detective Duane Danforth and Boston Police Detective Marivelle Crespo. The victim reported that after agreeing to meet with the two females in Newton, MA, she got into their vehicle under the impression that she was going for a short ride to the store to get cigarettes. The victim realized that they were not going to buy cigarettes due to the speed, manner and route they were driving in Brookline towards Boston. The victim learned that the females were taking her back to her trafficker. The victim was able to escape and flee on foot to a Brookline residence who called 911. During the interview investigators came to learn of a trafficking operation based in Dorchester. The victim reported being trafficked in several states but primarily in and around Boston.

An arrest warrant was sought and received for the suspected trafficker. Based on reports of firearms being present and often carried by the suspect Investigators worked closely with the Boston Police Fugitive Unit. On January 31st 2022 after observing the suspect exiting his residence, a traffic stop was initiated leading to the suspects arrest. During the course of the search warrant execution at the suspects residence, investigators recovered:

- A loaded .40 caliber S&W semi-automatic handgun.
- A large capacity feeding device- appears to be for a Glock 9mm
- A quantity of Class B
- A quantity of Class D
- Spent cartridge casings
- Two boxes of ammunition
- Electronic devices
- Assorted Items associated with Human Trafficking
- US currency.

Rhamell Hay was charged with the following:

- Trafficking for Sexual Servitude
- Deriving Support from Prostitution
- Unlawful Possession of a Firearm
- Unlawful Possession of Ammunition
- Possession of a large capacity feeding device
- Possession of Class B with Intent
- Possession of Class D

Additional victims of this trafficking operation have been identified and connected with services. Lieutenant Detective O'Neill, Sergeant Detective Sutherland, and Detective Danforth performed their duties in a distinguished manner that reflected highly upon themselves, the Detective Division, and the Brookline Police Department. A multi-jurisdictional investigation as described herein is often complex to manage successfully and the aforementioned officers excelled in their communication skills that resulted in a safe apprehension of a violent felon.

For their dilligent investigation, compassion for victims, and ability to work with a multijuridictonal team Detective Sergeant Sutherland and Detective Danforth will both receive a Certificate of Commendation as well as a Letter of Commendation.



Detective Sergeant Matthew McDonnell
Detective Duane Danforth
Detective Brian Sheehy

In late 2019, the Brookline Police learned of possible drug distribution from the Midas Service Station on Boylston Street in Brookline. Through additional intelligence from other police agencies it was learned that a source of supply of crystal methamphetamine was an employee/manager of the Midas Service Station. Brookline Investigators began looking further into this lead. Detective Sergeant McDonnell, Detective Danforth, and Detective Sheehy then joined an investigation with DEA Boston Tactical Diversion Squad (TDS), US Postal Inspection Service, ATF, Burlington PD, and Boston PD into the Drug Trafficking Organization (DTO). It was learned that the DTO was a source of supply for crystal methamphetamine and firearms in and around Boston and other parts of New England. Investigators learned that the DTO was shipping pounds of Methamphetamine from California to the Midas Service Station and then the DTO would re-distribute the methamphetamine in the New England region utilizing the Midas service station as a cover for the drug dealing. As the investigation continued it was clear that the DTO's reach was far and they were supplying a large amount of people in and around Boston. The DTO was also found to be associated with several gangs in the San Jose, California area as well as gang affiliations in Massachusetts.

Investigators through inter agency collaboration were able to identify and estimated 200 pounds of suspected methamphetamine shipped from California to the Midas service station over the past year.

In July, 2020 in attempt to identify a member of the DTO, Brookline Detectives attempted to have a motor vehicle stop initiated and conducted on a frequent visitor of the Midas Service Station who had been observed on several dates of surveillance. After a traffic stop was initiated on Brookline Avenue this individual fled from police in the vehicle into Jamaica Plain, dumping the vehicle and then carjacking another individual with a firearm. Brookline Detectives worked with Boston PD and DEA to identify this individual. The suspect was determined to have been a criminal associate of the DTO's from California who moved to Massachusetts for the sole purpose of working for the DTO. The suspect made his escape on that day, but was later arrested in October of 2020 through a cooperative effort with Brookline PD, DEA Boston-TDS, and Boston Police at a Watertown hotel and found in possession of a loaded firearm on his person along with close to 100 grams of methamphetamine. The suspect was also believed to be involved in an elaborate Identity Fraud/Unemployment Scheme.

In August, 2020 agents were alerted to a package being shipped from San Jose, CA to the Midas service station. Investigators were able to intercept the package and conduct a search warrant. Investigators uncovered 4 pounds of methamphetamine in the package and were able to identify another source of supply in California with help from authorities in San Jose, CA. In late August, 2020, an arrest in Burlington, MA led to a search warrant at a local hotel with firearms, crystal methamphetamine, and counterfeit Adderall pills. These individuals were known to Brookline investigators as well.



After several more months of surveillance, telephone and digital evidence analysis, investigators were able to gather further evidence, including the identification of the DTO's main "runner," a suspect out of Canton, MA and that an additional package from CA. would be arriving containing crystal methamphetamine. Detective Sergeant McDonnell, Detective Danforth, and Detective Sheehy participated in joint surveillance and seizure operations which lead to the seizure of the package bound for the DTO.

In May, 2021 investigators conducted a search warrant at a residence after a domestic dispute between the head of the DTO and his girlfriend. Investigators recovered 13 firearms, 4 of which were ghost guns similar to several other guns seized from co-conspirators, and \$95,000 cash. The following day, investigators conducted another search warrant at a separate DTO residence and discovered an additional firearm. Beyond May, 2021, the investigation still continued into all of the DTO's co-conspirators which lead to additional seizures of including 5 pounds, 10 pounds, and 3 pounds of crystal methamphetamine. In December, 2021 as a result of the joint investigation, a Federal grand jury returned indictments on 10 members of the DTO between New England and California.

Investigators have continued their diligent and exceptional work. Over the course of the first two years of this joint agency investigation, a total of 27 criminal associates or members of the DTO have been arrested (mainly for narcotics, conspiracy and firearms violations), a total of 32 affidavits were written, and over \$200,000 seized, along with over 150 pounds of crystal methamphetamine, 1 kilo of fentanyl, over 40,000 counterfeit Adderall and Percocet pills, and over 70 pounds of marijuana.

Sergeant Detective McDonnell, Detective Danforth, and Detective Sheehy performed their duties in a professional manner which projects a positive representation of Brookline Police Department. A combined federal and local investigation of this caliber are always difficult to manage effectively and the officers surpassed that resulting in a long and very successful investigation that has kept our local community beyond safe. For their diligent investigation, commitment to excellence, and ability to work as a team, Detective Sergeant McDonnell, Detective Danforth, and Detective Sheehy will receive a Certificate of Commendation as well as a Letter of Commendation.

Detective Keith Lacy

On February 2, 2022, at approximately 2015 hours, officers responded to a report of a domestic disturbance. The victim was surprised after arriving home by her ex-boyfriend waiting for her across the street. A physical encounter ensued and she was not able to escape and enter into her residence. The victim was pushed down in the snow and grabbed by two hands around the neck and strangled for 4 to 5 seconds. The victim was able to break free and notify the police. The ex-boyfriend fled the area. The victim also reported that he told her that his intent was to kill her.

A name and description were given out to responding officers, but with a check of the area officers were not able to locate this individual that was known to be homeless. A report was generated and a warrant was applied for with the court.



The next morning on February 3, 2022, a warrant was issued for this individual for domestic assault and battery, strangulation and threat to commit a crime. Detective Lacy volunteered to go out and look for this individual. At approximately 1130 hours, Detective Lacy along with Detective Sergeant Sutherland went down to give the area of the victim's residence special attention.

Shortly after arriving in the area of the victim's residence, we observed an individual walking in close proximity to this house that matched the description. Detective Lacy remembered from last night's description that the individual was wearing jeans, dark colored hooded sweatshirt and had a black backpack. This closely matched the description of this individual that we just observed. At this time, we exited our unmarked police vehicle and Detective Lacy called out to this individual by name. This individual paused briefly but ignored it and continued to walk away. Detective Lacy followed this individual and attempted to engage in conversation with him. The individual continued to walk a block and half and ended up on Commonwealth Ave. Commonwealth Ave at this time, was highly congested with pedestrians.

At this time, the individual was now putting his hands up and trying to cause a scene for people to stop and watch. Detective Lacy remained calm and continued to communicate with this individual explaining to him why he wanted to talk to him. Detective Lacy over the radio asked for a marked unit to assist. This caused many people in the area to stop and watch. Detective Lacy had a photo of the individual that was wanted in this crime and pulled it out and showed this individual. It was confirmed with an ID that this was the person that was wanted for this crime and he was placed under arrest.

Detective Lacy did an excellent job from the time he first observed this individual to the time we were able to properly identify him. Detective Lacy showed patience and persistence following this individual for a block and a half. The situation on Commonwealth Avenue could have escalated easily. Detective Lacy was able to communicate in a way to keep this encounter from intensifying. At times, it appeared that it was going to escalate but Detective Lacy was able to communicate to de-escalate the situation. At any time, this situation could have become volatile and it did not due to Detective Lacy being able to control the situation by remaining calm and communicating to this individual.

For his actions on this day, identifying and arresting this dangerous suspect Detective Keith Lacy will receive both a Letter of Commendation as well as a Certificate of Commendation.

Patrol Officer Paulo Dasilva
Patrol Officer Shinai Hattori
Patrol Officer Sean McGoldrick

On February 2, 2022 at about 4:15pm Patrol Officer DaSilva, Patrol Officer Hattori and Patrol Officer McGoldrick responded to a radio call for an overdose at 1045 Beacon St (#4). Upon arrival the Officers located a female in apartment 4 that was unresponsive with signs of cyanosis (blue lips) and agonal breathing. Patrol Officers DaSilva and McGoldrick administered a dose of Narcan, with no response from the individual. Instinctively, observing the individual's condition was not improving, these Officers administered another dose of Narcan and Patrol Officers DaSilva and Hattori began CPR. Meanwhile, the Brookline Fire Dept arrived on scene and assisted Officers and administered a third dose of Narcan to the individual.



A short time afterward, with the collaborated effort by all Officers along with the BFD, the victim began to show signs of life again and regained consciousness. At that time, the victim became combative and belligerent toward Officers and other BFD and EMS personnel. The patient was later transported to the Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital by Fallon Ambulance services. Officers McGoldrick and DaSilva accompanied the Ambulance to the Hospital due to combativeness and aggressiveness of the patient.

Based on the above facts, I believe these Officers should be commended for their quick response and assessment of the individual and the outstanding effort in helping save the life of a Brookline resident. For their combined efforts and teamwork Patrol Officer Paulo Dasilva, Patrol Officer Shinai Hattori and Patrol Officer Sean McGoldrick will all receive Letters of Commendation.

Patrol Officer Gustanio Mady

On February 6th, 2022 at approximately 2:45AM dispatch received over the radio a call from Boston in regards to three males in a black BMW attempting to steal catalytic converters on Strathmore Rd. The vehicle in question was heading down Strathmore Road towards Beacon Street; multiple Brookline units responded to the area. A short time later, Patrol Officer Mady observed a black BMW occupied with three males travelling down Beacon Street away from Strathmore Road. Patrol Officer Mady informed dispatch that he was behind a vehicle matching the description given out by Boston and would be conducting a traffic stop based on the BOLO. Boston arrived on scene and after their investigation, placed three male parties under arrest. Multiple catalytic converters were found in the trunk of the vehicle.

Patrol Officer Mady's quick response and decision making resulted in Boston placing three male parties under arrest for multiple offenses. For his actions on this night Patrol Officer Gustanio Mady will receive a Letter of Commendation.

Patrol Officer Sean Russell

On February 23, 2022 at about 10:09pm, Patrol Officer Russell responded to the Bournewood Hospital for a report of a stolen golf cart. Patrol Officer Russell reviewed surveillance video footage with the assistance of the staff which showed approximately 5 teenagers stealing the golf cart around 8:05pm. He gave dispatch a description of the suspects but stated the video was not clear and he could not make out their faces just some of their clothing.

While checking the area Patrol Officer Russell was aware young teenagers often hang around the Harvard Vanguard building located at 291 Independence Drive in Boston which is just over the line but located within the 500 yards of the Brookline jurisdiction. Patrol Officer Russell traveled to this location and observed a large group of teenagers in the parking lot in excess of 50-60 youths. During this time, he noticed the Boston Police were on scene and dispersing this large group out of the woods behind the Harvard Vanguard building. Patrol Officer Russell approached the Boston PD officers to inquire if they had observed a golf cart. At that time, he noticed small tire tracks in the mud that lead into the woods. These tire prints were narrow and consistent with the size of a golf cart. Patrol Officer Russell entered the wooded area where several young kids were exiting. After a lengthy walk into the woods he was able to locate the stolen golf cart deep inside this wooded area. The golf cart was later towed and returned to the Bournewood Hospital.



For his determination and his keen observation skills of noticing the tire prints in the mud that lead into the woods and helped locate and recover the stolen property of the golf cart Patrol Officer Sean Russell will receive a Letter of Commendation.

Patrol Officer Marc Hetnik

On March 5, 2022 at 0457 hrs. Patrol Officer Hetnik responded to the area of 191 Winchester St. for a male on foot in backyards and driveways on Winchester St. "checking car doors". Patrol Officer, immediately contacted the reporting party, who supplied a detailed physical description of the suspect, and actually made observation of the suspect attempting to break into parked vehicles. This information was supplied to Patrol Officer Pena in the 543 unit.

More units were called to investigate, which triggered a larger police response. A coordinated search for the suspect transpired. During this search Patrol Officer Hetnik located the suspect hiding in the rear of 247 Winchester St. Utilizing command presence Patrol Officer Hetnik ordered the suspect to show his hands. Patrol Officer Hetnik observed the suspect wearing latex gloves. Patrol Officer Hetnik radioed the other responding units of his location, and that he had a suspect stopped at the rear of 247 Winchester St.

The suspect was supplied Miranda warnings, stated he understood the warnings and agreed to cooperate with officers. The suspect admitted to entering unlocked vehicles, and attempting to enter many more. A search of his person resulted in the suspect possessing coins, US currency, sunglasses, an iPhone charger, a multi-use tool and retail loyalty cards. The suspect admitted these items were removed by him minutes earlier from unlocked vehicles along Winchester St.

A show-up identification was conducted with the reporting person. This resulted in a positive identification of the suspect as being the person who was observed attempting to break into unlocked vehicles. In addition, a query of the suspect through various CJIS databases resulted in two active arrest warrants in effect for his arrest issued by Dorchester District Court for 1) A&B on a Police Officer and Resisting Arrest and 2) A&B on a Family / Household Member. The suspect's Board of Probation record indicated 14 prior arraignments in Massachusetts criminal courts.

The suspect was also driven around the immediate area, and he pointed out over a dozen vehicles he either entered unlawfully or was unsuccessful in accessing.

Patrol Officer Hetnik along with Lt. McCarthy canvassed the area with a fob key the suspect said belonged to the vehicle he had been driving. This resulted in the suspect's vehicle being located at the rear of 26 Hamilton Rd., and a box of the same colored latex gloves was observed in plain view on the rear seat. A canvas of the building resulted in the suspect's girlfriend being located, as she resided at 26 Hamilton Rd. The girlfriend advised the suspect stays over at her apartment sporadically, and she thought he was actually asleep in the apartment when police contacted her. Later conversation with the suspect resulted in his admission to conducting similar breaking and entering's of unlocked motor vehicles within walking distance to Hamilton Rd. over the past year specifically admitting to car breaks near Crowninshield Road., Copley Street and commercial auto service centers along Commonwealth Avenue. Several of these motor vehicle breaks were later exceptionally cleared to this suspect.



The suspect was arrested for the two outstanding warrants, multiple counts of Attempt to Commit a Crime to wit: B&E Motor Vehicle, Trespassing and Receiving Stolen Property.

Patrol Officer Hetnik participated in a detailed investigation and exhausted all investigative avenues in bringing charges against this individual, who by his own admission has done many prior crimes in and around Brookline. For his hard work and determination with this case Patrol Officer Marc Hetnik will receive a Letter of Commendation.

Subject: Commendations for Excellent Job Performance

**E911 Dispatcher Christian Silva
E911 Dispatcher Ryan McCarthy
E911 Dispatcher Megan Griffin**

On February 8, 2022 at about 4:14 pm Dispatch received a call from a therapist from Holliston requesting the Police conduct a well-being check of one of her patients who resided at 201 High St (#1). The therapist stated she had been on the phone with her patient and the patient had made suicidal statements to her, however the patient would not give her location. The therapist requested Officers to check to see if her patient was home at her residence. Officers responded to the address and were able to gain entrance into the apartment but did not locate the patient.

In the meantime, Dispatcher Christian Silva was able to learn the cell number of the patient from the therapist. Dispatcher Silva contacted Verizon to get an emergency trace placed on the phone to try and ping the current location of that phone. The ping resulted in a general address location in Revere. During this time, the patient's sister, who also lived with her on High Street arrived home and called to report her sister missing because she was concerned about the mental health condition of her sister. In a collaborative effort, the three dispatchers working took active roles in attempting to locate this individual. Dispatcher Griffin spoke to the sister and tried to retrieve as much information about where the individual might go as well as past locations she visited. Dispatcher McCarthy began calling hotels located in the area of Revere where the phone was pinging to narrow the search area. Dispatcher Silva stayed in contact with the Verizon Emergency trace line and kept in communication with Revere PD about the individuals updated location.

The therapist called back with further information stating she just spoke with a friend of the patient who she was with the previous day. The friend subsequently called the Police station and spoke with Dispatcher Silva. Dispatcher Silva asked the friend to contact the patient to see if the patient would contact him directly at the Police station so he knew she was okay. The patient eventually called and spoke with Dispatcher Silva who was able to convince the patient to give him her exact location in Revere.

In addition, the therapist filled out a section 12 form for her patient and sent it to the Revere PD with the assistance of Dispatcher Silva who helped simplify the process and linked all the communications. The Revere PD and EMS responded to the Hampton Inn Boston (Logan Airport) in Revere, given to them by Dispatcher Silva. The patient was located at this address and later transported to the CHA Hospital in Everett.



Dispatchers Christian Silva, Ryan McCarthy and Megan Griffin showed extraordinary teamwork and genuine concern in locating this emotionally disturbed person and getting this individual the proper help, she needed. It should be noted that Dispatcher Silva took exceptional steps in facilitating and attempting to locate this patient. The family was notified and very thankful for the assistance. For their efforts on this evening Dispatchers Christian Silva, Ryan McCarthy and Megan Griffin will all receive Letters of Commendation.

The above cases represent the quality of work that is performed on a regular basis by our officers and civilians. It is my honor to acknowledge their efforts to make Brookline a safe community.



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