



Date of occurrence: September 4, 2011

Employee Name: Micah Smith and Marian Valino

Classification: Police

Unit/Division: Patrol/ Criminal Investigations Unit

Award/Commendation type and recommendations: Letter of Commendation

Narrative:

On September 4, at 4:20 am while proactively patrolling the residential area, Officer Micah Smith discovered an open car door at 89 Street and Abbott Avenue. He also observed a suspicious male and female leaving the area. Officer Smith initiated contact with the individuals who gave conflicting stories and could not dispel his alarm for their presence in the area. In an effort to further investigate the suspects' stories Detective Marian Valino was called in to investigate. Detective Valino was able to obtain a confession that they had burglarized that vehicle and three others in Surfside that evening. Both suspects were arrested and charged with four auto burglaries. Micah Smith is commended for his proactive patrol and dedication to keeping the community safe. Marian Valino is commended for her positive attitude, work ethic, and investigative skills. I am very proud of both officers and recognize them for their continued excellent police work and commitment to the Town of Surfside.

Chief of Police: David Allen

Date: September 30, 2011