

Date of occurrence: March 26, 2020, April 12, 2020 and April 18, 2020

Employee Name: Officer Bryant Luke

Classification: Police Officer

Unit/Division: Patrol

Award/Commendation type and recommendations: Officer of the Month

Narrative:

On March 12, 2020, the Town Commission declared a State of Emergency in Surfside. During this crisis, Officer Luke has provided two thoughtful emergency measures that have since been implemented to enhance public safety. He also performed a selfless act of kindness to assist a homeless man.

On March 26, 2020, Officer Luke suggested measures to better secure beach access in compliance with Town beach closures. On April 12, 2020, Officer Luke took it upon himself to speak with Publix management suggesting the removal of several benches and seating areas around the perimeter of the store. This action discouraged groups of people from congregating in the area as well as promoted social distancing practices. Publix management removed the benches immediately.

On Saturday, April 18, 2020, Officer Bryant Luke encountered a homeless man he recognized at CVS Pharmacy. The man needed money to purchase his much-needed prescription. Officer Luke took it upon himself to selflessly pay for the medication, assisting him in a time of need. Throughout Officer Luke's years of service in the Town of Surfside, his compassion for the less fortunate members of our society is expressed through his never-ending altruistic actions.

Officer Luke demonstrates remarkable police work and compassion for the community. His pre-emptive approach demonstrates his attention to detail and willingness to go above and beyond the call of duty. Officer Luke is commended for his job performance, good nature and tireless work ethic. He provides a constant example for others to follow and lays the foundation for a positive image in the Police Department. It is an honor to have Officer Luke working as a member of the Surfside Police Department. The professionalism and dedication to the community demonstrated by Officer Luke is praised, appreciated, and deserving of Officer of the Month Award. Congratulations to Officer Bryant Luke as the recipient of the April Officer of the Month...well deserved!