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Superintendent Honors Outstanding CPD Officers at Monthly Department Commendation Ceremony

CHICAGO – Interim Superintendent John J. Escalante presented awards today to outstanding officers at the Superintendent's Monthly Department Commendation Ceremony. The event serves to recognize officers who have distinguished themselves and the Chicago Police Department by their exemplary bravery and praiseworthy deeds.

The event was held at Chicago Public Safety Headquarters, 3510 S. Michigan Avenue. Among the 220 awardees honored at this month's ceremony were:

A Department Commendation was presented to Sergeant **William Bernath**, Police Officer **Michael Cosentino**, **Raymond Archuleta**, **Theresa Floyd** and **Jorge Garcia**

Officers in the 18th District were notified by a witness of an armed robbery that just occurred on the 1800 block of North Mohawk. Once on scene, Officers Cosentino and Archuleta were able to obtain a description of the offender and relay it to responding officers. The offenders were spotted by Officers Floyd and Garcia and a foot chase ensued. The offenders fled in several directions but with the help of Sergeant Bernath and Officers Cosentino and Archuleta, all three offenders were placed into custody. A handgun and the victim's property were recovered. The offenders were charged accordingly.

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A Department Commendation was presented to Officers **Daniel Reschke, Eugene Shields, Kirk Rutkowski, Jeffery Pacocha, Michael Oshinski, Joshua Bielema**

While on routine patrol, Officers Shields and Reschke were waved down by a concerned citizen on the 6200 block of North Bell. The citizen related that there was a distraught woman sitting on the sidewalk crying. Officers Shields and Reschke spoke with the woman and learned a member of her family may have been stabbed in a domestic related incident. Officers immediately called for assistance. Officers Shields and Reschke observed the described offender a short distance away. Officer Shields gave chase and with the assistance of Officers Rutkowski, Pacocha, Oshinski, and Bielema, was able to detain the man. Further investigation revealed that the domestic incident occurred in the vicinity of the 2200 block of W. Devon. The officers relocated to the home of the victim and were able to gain entry. There they discovered a woman who had been stabbed several times. The victim was subsequently pronounced on scene. The offender was later charged with First Degree Murder.

A Department Commendation was presented to Sergeant **Martin Loughney**, Officers **John Conneely, Matthew Nelson**, and **Michael Modzelewski**.

Sergeant Loughney learned that an offender was wanted for Predatory Criminal Sexual Assault and had been hiding from law enforcement for several months. The Sergeant then began to look into the wanted offender's background and discovered that he had ties to the area. Through careful investigation Sergeant Loughney learned the offender may be staying on the 3500 block of South Western. Through speaking with the community he was able to obtain a description of the offender's vehicle and observed the car parked in the area. Sergeant Loughney, along with Officers Conneely, Nelson and Modzelewski relocated to the offender's new place of residence. They were able to confirm his identity and place him into custody. The offender was charged accordingly and a dangerous predator was taken off the street.

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