

**QUINCY POLICE DEPARTMENT
EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH
AUGUST 2016**



August 1, 2016

It is with great pleasure I announce that Officer Erica Scott has been selected as Employee of the Month for August 2016.

Officer Scott joined the Quincy Police Department on August 9, 2004 and attended basic police training at Police Training Institute, University of Illinois, located in Champaign-Urbana, IL. She is a Patrol Officer assigned to the Day Shift. Officer Scott is a Field Training Officer, a CPR/AED Instructor, an Opioid Antidote (Narcan) Instructor, and Crisis Negotiator.

Officer Scott was nominated for this recognition due to her outstanding performance in talking down an armed suicidal subject on June 22, 2016. At 0706 hours that date, Officer Scott and Officer Summers were dispatched to a Quincy residence for a domestic disturbance. Upon arrival, they located a female with a laceration to her head caused by the live-in boyfriend, who struck her with a vacuum cleaner during the domestic disturbance. While checking the apartment, officers found the suspect, who was armed with a 10" butcher knife and threatening to kill himself. The suspect refused to put the knife down and submit to arrest. While other officers contained the scene, Officer Scott engaged the suspect in conversation. After approximately thirty minutes of negotiation, the suspect relinquished his weapon and surrendered without further incident.

Officer Scott's quick thinking, interpersonal skills, and use of her specialized training helped resolve a tense and potentially lethal situation without injury to the suspect or officers. Clearly, she has the experience, demeanor, and abilities to take on the responsibilities of Crisis Negotiator, a position to which she has just recently been appointed.

Please join me in congratulating Officer Erica Scott as the Quincy Police Department's August 2016 Employee of the Month.

Robert A. Copley, Chief of Police