

**QUINCY POLICE DEPARTMENT  
EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH  
DECEMBER 2017**



December 1, 2017

It is with great pleasure that I announce Officer Justin Ebbing has been selected as Employee of the Month for December 2017.

Officer Ebbing was hired on October 9, 2012. He previously worked as a police officer in Mt. Sterling, IL. Officer Ebbing graduated from Basic Police Training at the Police Training Institute on December 15, 2011 and has a Bachelor's Degree from Western Illinois University. He is a member of the Emergency Response Team, and is a certified Breath Alcohol Operator and Bike Officer. Officer Ebbing has served as a Patrol Officer and Street Crimes Unit Officer; he was recently assigned as an Inspector with the West Central Illinois (Drug) Task Force. During his tenure with the department, Officer Ebbing has received much recognition for his work, including but not limited to: Employee of the Month on three occasions, 2013 Patrol Officer of the Year, 2013 DUI Award, and several Commendations from the Quincy Police Department and the Illinois MEG Directors and Task Force Commanders Association.

In June of 2016, Officer Justin Ebbing and other officers were dispatched to a location in Quincy regarding a drug overdose. Upon arrival, officers located a male subject who had overdosed on Heroin. Officer Ebbing collected electronic and physical evidence from the scene and also interviewed witnesses. The male subject died several days later in Blessing Hospital due to Heroin and Fentanyl intoxication.

After conducting numerous hours of follow up and executing several search warrants, Officer Ebbing developed a suspect in the sale of the Heroin to the deceased. This led to the execution of a Search Warrant at a residence in Quincy. Officers located several grams of heroin and other items indicative of the sale of Heroin. Officers later learned the Heroin that was seized from the residence appeared to be from the same batch of Heroin that caused the death. Officer Ebbing's work later led to the suspect's indictment in federal court for the Distribution of Heroin resulting in a death. The subject later pled guilty and was sentenced to 14 years in the Bureau of Prisons. This is a great example of what can happen when officers treat these cases for what they are, a homicide. More arrests resulting from this investigation are anticipated.

Please join me in congratulating Officer Justin Ebbing as the Quincy Police Department's December 2017 Employee of the Month.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert A. Copley".

Robert A. Copley, Chief of Police