

March 2015 EAC Employee of the Month
Detective Tyler Longman
Police Department

On February 3, 2015, Detective Tyler Longman attended a departmental training. While driving back to the office, Detective Longman heard a dispatch call for assistance involving a nine month old child who was not conscious or breathing. Although he was not assigned to respond, he advised Dispatch that he was nearby and would offer assistance.

Officer Longman arrived on the scene before medical personnel or other police officers, and found the front yard gated with three large German shepherd dogs blocking the entrance to the residence. The child's mother later stated she was concerned police and fire personnel would not come through the gate due to the dogs in the front yard. Officer Longman continued towards the residence past the dogs, without concern for his own safety, and entered finding a child in its mother's arms not conscious or breathing, purple in color, and completely limp.

Taking the child from the mother, Officer Longman cleared the child's airway with his finger and angled the child down on his forearm. He provided multiple back blows until the child began to cry. The child was recovering when West Valley City Fire personnel arrived on scene. The child was taken to the hospital where it fully recovered from this incident.

Officer Longman's actions saved the life of a nine month old baby, and provided needed assistance to a mother in distress. Officer Longman represents what the West Valley City Police Department does best, protect and serve our community. Please accept this appreciation for a job well done with the employee of the month award.

Nominated by Sergeant Blair Barfuss