



City Commission Agenda Item

Meeting Date: June 2, 2026
From: EMS Director Jeri Wheatley & Fire-EMS Chief Stuart Cassaboom
Item: Life Save Awards

Purpose: Recognize LT. Dan Dedrick, Paramedic Jaxson Slater, EMT Austyn Butler, Paramedic Shawn Dent, EMT Nate Wilson, EMT Mike Evinger, and Captain Tanner McClure for their life saving efforts.

Background:

1st Award – Jan. 17, 2026. On January 17, 2026, Arkansas City Fire-EMS Department responded to a local residence for a report of an unresponsive patient in cardiopulmonary arrest. Upon arrival, EMS personnel found the patient without a pulse and not breathing. Advanced Life Support interventions were immediately initiated, resulting in the return of spontaneous circulation and respirations.

The patient was then transported to South Central Kansas Medical Center for continued emergency treatment and was later transferred to a hospital in Wichita for additional specialized care. Following further treatment and recovery, the patient was discharged from the hospital several days later.

EMS Personnel involved in the patient's care included Lt. Paramedic Daniel Dedrick, Paramedic Jaxson Slater, EMT Nate Wilson, EMT Mike Evinger, and Captain EMT Tanner McClure.

2nd Award – Feb. 2, 2026. On Feb 2, 2026, Arkansas City Fire-EMS Department responded to a local residence for a report of an unresponsive patient in cardiopulmonary arrest. Upon arrival, EMS personnel found the patient without a pulse and not breathing. Advanced Life Support interventions were immediately initiated, resulting in the return of spontaneous circulation and respirations.

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EMS Personnel involved in the patient's care included: LT. Paramedic Daniel Dedrick, Paramedic Jaxson Slater, Paramedic Shawn Dent, EMT Austyn Butler, EMT Mike Evinger, Captain EMT, Tanner McClure.

Commission Options:

1. No action required, recognition only.

Approved for Agenda by:

Randy Frazer, City Manager