



## TOWN OF ELIZABETH POLICE DEPARTMENT

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To: *Mayor Angela Ternus, Mayor Pro Tem Hutchins, and Board of Trustees*

From: *Jeff Engel, Chief of Police*

Subject: Departmental Monitoring Report

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### **STAFFING UPDATE:**

Recruit Officer Brayden Campbell is entering his 5<sup>th</sup> week of training at the Pike Peak Public Safety Academy in Colorado Springs. Brayden passed the first block exam and is scheduled for his second block examination today. Speaking with Academy Director Cathy LaBrecque, Brayden is doing well in the academy.

A field trip to the Pikes Peak Public Safety Academy will be made in the near future to check in with Brayden.

### **TRAINING UPDATE:**

- Officer Royce Lamas attended a one-day free training sponsored by the Rocky Mountain High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area on fentanyl Safety and Awareness. A front-line course on characteristics and hazards of fentanyl and other synthetic opioids.
- Chief Jeff Engel attended a three day Executive Leadership Development course hosted by Denver University's Daniels College of Business. The initial three days of training were invaluable. Leading officers of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century is a different landscape than generations past. Bridging the gap between what was modeled (generations past) and how officers want to be led is challenging. The training provided insight to the challenges and strategies to bridge the generational gap.

### **DEPARTMENT UPDATE:**

- Evidence technicians Manday Donatelli and Daisy Tucker are working in conducting an evidence purge. The evidence room is near capacity and room needs to be made for future evidence. Mandy and Daisy are adhering to best practices outlined by the International Property and Evidence Association.



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- Several members of the board have participated in ride-alongs with the police department. It has been a pleasure getting to know our community leaders and the opportunity to share insight about the police department.
- The Elizabeth Police Department was awarded \$12,000.00 following submission of a grant for the Peace Officer Behavioral Health Support and Community Support Grant. We will be working with Daisy Tucker, the wellness coordinator, to begin fulfilling the grant. I would like to thank former Officer Lyndi Burnley, Corporal Jason Rogers, and Daisy Tucker for their input, insight, and teamwork in putting together the grant. Without their dedication and commitment, the grant wouldn't have come to fruition.
- The Elizabeth Police Department will be participating in the Colorado Springs Special Olympics polar plunge in March. Officer Daisy Tucker, our Special Olympics liaison, is working on putting together a team for the plunge. There will be further updates as the event draws closer.



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