2018 CREST AWARDS PUBLIC SAFETY CHAMPION OF THE YEAR NOMINATIONS



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Deputy Jonathon Lau #2232

Deputy Lau joined the Sheriff's Office in April of 2014. Deputy Lau worked in the Courts division for a short time before going to the Field Training Program (FTP) in 2016. Deputy Lau completed the FTP in the middle of 2016 and was sent back to the Courts division. In January of 2017, Deputy Lau was selected to work in the West Valley Patrol division where he remains. Deputy Lau has proven to be a valuable asset to the division through his hard work. Deputy Lau is fluent in Mandarin and he is in high demand.

In February 2017, Deputy Lau was on patrol in the city of Cupertino looking for suspicious activity. Deputy Lau was driving down Stelling Road at Seven Springs when he noticed a 3 people running from the back yard of a residence and into a waiting vehicle. Deputy Lau initiated a stop on the vehicle and it pulled over. As Deputy Lau was walking up to the vehicle, it sped away at a high rate of speed. Deputy Lau gave chase but was called off by his supervisor. A few minutes later Deputy Lau located a vehicle accident in Saratoga that involved the vehicle he was chasing. All the occupants had fled the scene. A search of the area resulted in an arrest of one of the suspects and recovering stolen property from a residential burglary in Cupertino and Sunnyvale. The next day, the other 2 suspects were arrested due to the information Deputy Lau recovered in the suspect vehicle.

In early March, Deputy Lau was dispatched to a winery off of Montebello Road and Stevens Canyon for 2 people breaking into vehicles. Deputy Lau was given the suspect vehicle description and located the vehicle while in route to the scene. Deputy Lau gave chase and the suspect vehicle rammed him causing him to terminate the pursuit. However, the suspect vehicle was located 3 days later by another police agency and some of the victims property was recovered and returned to the victims.

In late November, Deputy Lau responded to a residential burglary in progress off of Farallone Drive. As he arrived, the suspects were getting into a waiting vehicle. Deputy Lau tried to stop the vehicle but it sped off. Deputy Lau gave chase but the suspects were driving too recklessly to continue the pursuit. Based on the information Deputy Lau collected about the suspect vehicle it was located later that day with some of the victim's property in the back seat and 3 suspects were arrested.

Deputy Lau shows up each and every day to serve the people of this community. During every interaction with the public Deputy Lau strives to serve as a role model for others within the agency to follow. Whether he is stopping criminal activity, interacting with the community over a traffic concern, or helping out at a neighborhood function, Deputy Lau always gives his best.

Sgt. Dennis Owens #1695



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Deputy Marshall has been employed by the Sheriff's Office for nine years and got his start on the custody side. He has been assigned to WVP for the past for years beginning in 2014. During the last calendar year investigated numerous cases in a very busy beat. The following are two of his most notable cases.

On 02-09-17 at 1738 hours, Deputy Marshall contacted an RP over the phone who advised he was trying to recover his stolen bicycle from a subject, who was selling it on "Offer Up". The RP previously attempted to report the theft, but forgot his serial number. A subject showed up to the meeting area, Starbucks at Cupertino Village on another bicycle and he was identified as ALTERMAN TROY ANTHONY D3928211 DOB:04-29-1987, who Deputy Marshall was familiar with.

Deputy Marshall contacted Alterman's girlfriend and used his interpersonal skills to get her to cooperate. She revealed where Alterman stored several bicycles. Deputy Marshall recovered 4 bicycles hidden in the bushes along Hwy 280 west of Wolfe. One of the bicycles was the RP's so it was returned to him. The bicycle was the RP's only form of transportation and recently moved to the area from the east coast. The RP was ecstatic at the speed and success of the recovery.

On 06-06-17, Deputy Marshall observed a car load of suspicious subjects drive into the Main Street Cupertino shopping center. The subjects fit a M/O of auto burglars and they tried to elude him. Deputy Marshall informed his beat partners of what he had and coordinated their response to the scene. With his organization his team was able to contact and detain the three subjects that exited the vehicle. Deputy Marshall developed probable caused based on his experience and searched the suspect vehicle, recovering unreported stolen property. His investigation lead him to locate a victim and lead to the arrests of the three individuals. One of the subjects was a known notorious auto burglar that we were searching for over two months and previously eluded us. The suspect was also wanted by Sunnyvale and Santa Clara PD for auto burglaries that possibly numbered over 100. This on-view arrest of a chronic auto burglar was the second one for Deputy Marshall in less than a year. He had previously arrested another subject that committed multiple auto burglaries in Cupertino over a two week span.

Deputy Marshall is also a leader on his team; he serves as a Field Training Officer for the Sheriff's Office training new deputies to be competent in the field, and is looked to by his peers for guidance and mentoring. Deputy Marshall dons his uniform every day to serve this community to the best of his ability, striving to make this community the safest it can be.