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## **Two Johnston Officers Receive Lifesaving Award**

**JOHNSTON, Iowa** – On Monday, Dec. 6, 2021, Officer Holtry and Officer Petermeier received a Lifesaving Award for their quick response and teamwork during a call for service.

On Aug. 20, 2021, the Johnston Police Department received a call for service and were dispatched to a residence on reports of a medical emergency for an unconscious female. Officer Holtry and Officer Petermeier responded and Holtry was the first officer to arrive on the scene. The patient's adult daughter was performing CPR, and Officer Holtry instructed her to continue while she prepared the Automated External Defibrillator (AED). Once the AED was prepared, Officer Holtry began high-quality CPR, in total administering five rounds of chest compressions, after which a shock was administered from the AED.

Officer Petermeier and Corporal Abell then arrived on the scene to assist. Officer Petermeier and Officer Holtry resumed CPR until medics from the Johnston-Grimes Metropolitan Fire Department arrived to provide advanced life support. Throughout the six and a half minutes, Officer Holtry provided seven rounds of CPR, Officer Petermeier provided five rounds of CPR, for a total of 12 rounds of chest compressions in conjunction with two shocks from the AED. The patient ultimately recovered and is alive today, thanks in part to the coordinated efforts of both officers.

The individual would not have survived without Officer Holtry and Officer Petermeier's fast response, high-quality CPR, and early intervention with an AED. A Johnston resident is alive today because of these officers' calm and conscientious effort and solid teamwork.

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