

Collin County Going the Extra Mile (GEM) Recognition Form

Honoree's Name: Mark Myars

Honoree's Job Title: Equipment Operator

Department: Public Works Road & Bridge

Years of Service with the County:

Why the Honoree is receiving a GEM Award including dates:

Because of his previous experience with welding, Mark Myars is sometimes asked to repair a bracket or perform other minor welding jobs at Public Works. Last month, the Sheriff's SWAT team leader, Sgt. Terry Toye, inquired if Mark could fabricate some new tools to improve the team's capabilities in the field. Over the course of a few days, Mark was able to utilize some raw materials around Public Works to fashion 4 new tools for the team. Two are "doorbusting" battering rams of different lengths. The remaining two are sure to intimidate. These formidable tools are sturdy metal poles with handles and a menacing, serrating blade welded to one end. These can be used to break and clear a window/window frame of a suspect's house for quick entry.

Mark's in-house solution not only saved the County money but also was delivered expeditiously. For Mark's considerable skill, determination and generous contribution to the Sheriff's Office, I nominate Mark Myars for a GEM award.



Approved by elected official or department head on the 28 day of Feb., 20 17

Signature of Elected Official

Printed Name