

Collin County Going the Extra Mile (GEM) Recognition Form

Honoree's Name: Christian Valdez
First Name Middle Initial Last Name

Honoree's Job Title: Deputy Sheriff

Department: Sheriff's Office Patrol

Years of Service with the County: 3 years

Why the Honoree is receiving a GEM Award including dates:

On May 17, 2025, Deputy Valdez was dispatched to an emergency call. Upon arrival, he entered the residence and found a woman in active labor on the living room couch. Recognizing the urgency, Deputy Valdez observed that the baby was crowning and immediate action was necessary. Seeking guidance, he contacted his wife, a labor and delivery nurse, who promptly arranged for an OB/GYN physician to provide step-by-step instructions over the phone. Following the expert guidance, Deputy Valdez successfully assisted in delivering a healthy baby. Both mother and baby were evaluated by EMS personnel, confirmed to have stable vitals, and transported to Baylor Scott & White Medical Center in McKinney for further care.

This remarkable event underscores the critical role Deputy Valdez played, and the importance of community support in ensuring the safety and well-being of both mother and baby.

Approved by elected official or department head on the 29th day of May, 2025

Jim Skinner
Signature of Elected Official
Or Department Head

Jim Skinner, Sheriff
Printed Name