Letter of Commendation Life Saving Award

The Fort Lupton Police Department believes in the recognition of officers, their actions and outstanding efforts in service to the community and their fellow officers. In keeping with this belief, the City of Fort Lupton and Fort Lupton Police Department recognize Officer Paul Grossman for his outstanding efforts that occurred in April 2017.

On Tuesday, April 11, 2017 at approximately 7:30 a.m., the Fort Lupton Police and Fire Department units were dispatched to 1st Street and Pacific Avenue for a traffic accident. Upon arrival, Officer Grossman found the driver of the vehicle unconscious and unresponsive while still sitting in the driver’s seat behind a locked door. Officer Grossman quickly recognized that the driver was not only unresponsive but in significant distress. He accessed the driver by breaking a vehicle window to reach the driver. He immediately assessed the driver recognizing he was not breathing, turning purple, and was pulseless and started CPR. He continued CPR until the arrival of the Fire Department and Banner Ambulance personnel. The driver was eventually transported by helicopter to the Northern Colorado Medical Center in Greeley. The driver, John Bailey (a retired Adams County Deputy), survived the cardiac arrest and was released from the hospital on May 1, 2017.

Officer Grossman’s quick response, recognition of the severity of the medical emergency, immediate actions and effective CPR resulted directly in saving the life of the Mr. Bailey. A failure to act or action after delay could have led to a tragic outcome.

Therefore, Officer Grossman’s actions qualify him for this Life Saving Award and bestows upon him the Department’s and the City’s appreciation.

Dated this 7th day of August, 2017.

Tommy Holton
Mayor