

# Collin County Going the **Extra Mile (GEM)** Recognition Form

Honoree's Name: Christopher Weiss

Honoree's Job Title: Animal Control Officer

Department: Animal Services

Years of Service with the County: 2.5

Why the Honoree is receiving a GEM Award including dates:

On 09/08/16 Christopher Weiss was on a call with Andrew Tracy trying to pick up two loose horses. While he was there he witnessed Andrew Tracy get kicked by one of the horses. Instead of backing away from the situation, he continued to try and help get the horse secure. They managed to pen the horse up and Christopher was waiting on Andrew to back the trailer to the temporary pen. At that time, the horse panicked and jumped on the panel that Christopher was holding, trapping him underneath it. The horse continued to stomp and kick Christopher as it was trying to get away. The Deputy was able to pull Christopher away from the horse but Christopher still received several injuries. In spite of being in great pain, Christopher was very positive about the incident and was planning on being able to come back to work in a couple of days. Christopher Weiss has never backed away from a problem that he has encountered while doing his job and instead meets it head on, putting himself in harm's way to protect others.

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Approved by elected official or department head on the 16 day of September, 2016

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Signature of Elected Official  
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