

Collin County Going the Extra Mile (GEM) Recognition Form

Honoree's Name: Lance Rice

Honoree's Job Title: Equipment Operator

Department: Public Works Road & Bridge

Years of Service with the County: 3 months

Why the Honoree is receiving a GEM Award including dates:

In 2008, Public Works initiated a program which allows probationers to serve their court ordered community service at Public Works. This work typically entails probationers picking up trash along county roads while supervised by a PW Road & Bridge employee. On 9-17-2013, Lance Rice and his C.S.C.D. crew found a clean, black nylon pouch in a ditch while cleaning C.R. 330. Knowing this was not a normal and usual item found along the roadway, Lance decided not to throw it in among the other trash on the trailer. Checking inside the zippered pouch, he observed numerous checks inside and immediately called the Environmental Enforcement Deputy. Deputy Howe contacted the business owner who confirmed the checks were stolen from his wife's car. He then contacted the investigator at McKinney P.D. who authorized the release of the pouch to the owner.

Due to Lance's alert and diligent efforts, this crime victim was able to recover their property. For assisting investigators and demonstrating sound judgement, I nominate Lance Rice for the GEM award.

Approved by elected official or department head on the 23 day of Oct., 20 13



Signature of Elected Official
or Department Head



Printed Name