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NEWS RELEASE

Life Saving Award Presented to Two Buffalo Grove Officers

Buffalo Grove, IL – During the Buffalo Grove Village Board Meeting on Monday, August 20, 2018, two Buffalo Grove police officers were honored with a Life Saving Award for their efforts that revived a man after a drug overdose.

On July 12, 2018, Officers Anthony Turano and Derek Hawkins responded to a residence where an adult male was found unconscious and not breathing. Due to their training, the officers made the decision to administer three doses of nalaxone to the man, while also starting basic life saving measures. The man regained consciousness and was transported to a nearby hospital and survived.

Nalaxone, commonly referred to by its brand name of Narcan, helps to block the effects of opioids on the body, particularly during an overdose. Buffalo Grove officers have been carrying Narcan since 2014.

Officer Turano has served as a Buffalo Grove Police Officer for the last 12 years and is currently assigned to the Investigations Division. In addition to his duties in Buffalo Grove, Turano also serves as member of Northern Illinois Police Alarm System (NIPAS) Mobile Field Force.

Officer Derek Hawkins has served the residents of Buffalo Grove for the last 10 years, works on the afternoon patrol shift, and is a member of the Emergency Services Team for NIPAS.

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