



In January a member of our community named Katie Scalora was instrumental in identifying a suspect involved with a burglary investigation that Officer John Flynn was conducting. Katie acted as an excellent witness by communicating her observations to Officer Flynn without becoming involved in the incident or jeopardizing her safety. The information Katie provided was critical in helping Officer Flynn identify the offender. Our success with this investigation would not have been possible without Katie's help.

Pictured below is Officer John Flynn presenting Katie with a COIN program "Citizen Appreciation Award." Thank you Katie for contributing to the safety and welfare of our community and its members!



**“COIN” PROGRAM:**

The consistent, effective investigation, prosecution, and reduction of crime cannot be accomplished by the police without the support and cooperation of the citizens. The COIN program (**C**ommunity **O**fficer **I**nterest **N**etwork), aims to reward and recognize members of the community who have made significant contributions to an incident that might not have been resolved successfully without the citizen’s participation. The COIN program involves the issuance of challenge coins to our officers that they can present to individuals who meet this criterion. The Police Department will publicize each success story in hopes of strengthening our network of partners.

The COIN program aims to educate citizens of their obligation to the community and the shared responsibility for its welfare. Our department seeks to further the acceptance of these duties through recognition of those citizens whose actions have contributed to the accomplishments of the department's mission or the safety of the community. We believe that a small investment in our community can have a big impact on public safety and crime reduction.