



2019 Civilian of the Year

James Harrison

James Harrison joined the Mesquite Police Department on March 14, 2011, as the Police Records Supervisor. His job is to plan, supervise, direct and participate in a variety of tasks, which support the Police Records function. James is responsible for supervising nine records clerks, all of whom regard him very highly.

The Records department is responsible for processing Open Records requests, offense, arrest, and accident reports, expunctions, sealing orders and the juvenile jail log, just to name a few duties. James also keeps up with the varied laws and updates that records management requires. James often works extra hours and willingly accepts extra tasks and challenges to keep officer's duties related to crime reporting as short and easy as possible. He manages both responsibility and liability with the utmost professionalism.

James has also assisted in the implementation of new technologies such as Spillman and NIBRS crime reporting. He has been an integral part in the planning and transition process for these changes while continuing to excel in his other job responsibilities. He has earned the Police Commendation Award for his contributions to the Spillman records management system.

James serves as an outstanding role model and projects a positive, encouraging and enthusiastic attitude in all circumstances. His work ethic proves that he takes charge willingly and accepts responsibility without hesitation. He earns others' trust and respect through consistent honesty and professionalism in all interactions. James maintains the highest standard of personal integrity and displays exemplary behavior in all aspects of his work.

The Mesquite Police Department is proud to recognize James Harrison with the "Civilian of the Year Award."