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Small acts of kindness have large impact

Several Shreveport Police patrol officers are being hailed as good Samaritans for their part in assisting a stranded man in his efforts to return home after falling on hard times.

On Tuesday, August 30, Shreveport Police patrolmen responded to a welfare concern regarding an elderly man, who according to 911 calls, was almost struck by passing motorists as he walked along a portion of Interstate 20, between Hearne and Jewella Avenues. As officers arrived and made contact, it was discovered, the 70 year old man, who appeared disoriented and hungry, was attempting to return back to his city of Fort Worth, Texas after getting stranded in Shreveport with no money or food.

After learning of the man's plight, Shreveport Police Patrol Sergeant Laura Potts, spread the word to her assigned personnel, who graciously offered their assistance. At the end of officer's collaborative efforts, the gentleman, emotionally moved, was safely aboard a charter bus with enough funds to purchase food during his return to his home town of Fort Worth. "It warms our hearts to be able to share events like this that directly impact the lives of others in a positive manner". "The officers, who displayed their generosity in assisting the man in legitimate need, should feel a strong sense of accomplishment as the true aspect of "selfless service" became evident in their actions on today". "We bid our visitor safe travels".

Participating officers: Sergeant Laura Potts, Corporal Vincent Baurichter, Corporal Kimberly Broome, Corporal Bonnie Mikesell, Corporal Tyiesha Robinson and Corporal Brandon Davenport.

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