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ASPCA® Grant Funds Animal Control Officer Training

PULLMAN, Wash. – The Pullman Police Department today announced that they received a grant of \$2,250 from the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals® (ASPCA®) to enhance the welfare of animals in Pullman, Wash. through police training.

Pullman police and code enforcement officers responded to over 800 animal-related calls in 2015. Two Pullman Police Code Enforcement Officers are tasked with animal control duties for the City of Pullman, as well as being responsible for parking and other City code enforcement duties.

An Animal Control Officer Training Academy is offered by the Washington State Criminal Justice Training Commission in Burien, Washington. Pullman Police have received grant funds of \$2,250 to cover the training costs of tuition, travel to/from Burien, and per diem expenses for Code Enforcement Officer Emily Johns to attend the Animal Control Officer Training Academy in March of 2016.

Code Enforcement Officer Elizabeth Schaeffer attended the 2015 academy through another generous grant from ASPCA. The training funded by the ASPCA grant will benefit animal owners and those who would come into contact with animals, as well as the overall welfare and protection of animals in Pullman.

“The ASPCA commends the animal-related work of the Pullman Police Department,” said Matt Stern, director of ASPCA Anti-Cruelty Group Operations. “We hope this training will allow them to create an even safer community for the animals and residents of Pullman.”

The Pullman Police Department is grateful to the ASPCA for their contribution to enhancing animal services in our community.

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