

Sarasota Police Department

Humanitarian Service Award

Officer Derek Conley
Officer Kimberle Vespia

On August 2, 2015, Officer Derek Conley and Officer Kim Vespia observed a male subject sleeping behind Vision Works on South Tamiami Trail. During this time, the City of Sarasota had experienced several days of rainfall. Officers Conley and Vespia contacted the individual and learned of his situation. They cleaned his injuries which he had sustained in a fall and ensured his cell phone was working in the event of an emergency.

These Officers then went across the street to McDonald's and purchased food and beverages for the individual. After providing him with food, they took him to a local motel and purchased a room for two days and two nights.

The individual's information was later provided to the Homeless Outreach Team for further assistance.

For their efforts in assisting the individual in need of help, the Sarasota Police Department is proud to present Officer Derek Conley and Officer Kimberle Vespia with the Humanitarian Service Award.