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POCATELLO POLICE OFFICER PRESENTED LIFESAVING AWARD
Officer Jim Barbre Recognized for Saving Citizen's Life

Mayor Brian Blad and Police Chief JR Miller presented the Lifesaving Award to Officer Jim Barbre for saving the life of a Pocatello citizen earlier this year. The award was presented October 18, 2011, at the Pocatello Police Department.

Officer Barbre was on routine patrol September 13, 2011, when a citizen alerted him to a female on the outside of the safety fence along the Gould Street overpass. Officer Barbre was able to speak to the distraught woman who appeared to be preparing to jump from the bridge. He was unable to immediately physically intervene because of the eight foot safety fence between them, but was able to calm her down until he reached her through a gap in the fence.

Pocatello citizens are the eyes of the community and the alert to Officer Barbre, coupled with his quick thinking and training, saved a valuable life that day.

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From Left: Mayor Brian Blad, Officer Jim Barbre and Chief of Police J.R. Miller