

Department of Detention Facilities Jennifer Road Detention Center 131 Jennifer Road Annapolis, MD 21401 410-222-7374

William H. Martin, Jr. Superintendent

## Jennifer Road Detention Center 2019 EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR

## Corporal Christopher Blanton

Corporal Blanton has been employed with the Anne Arundel County Department of Detention Facilities for thirteen years. He is well respected by his Co-workers and is a valued employee of the Jennifer Road Detention Center.

Corporal Blanton is a member of the Special Operations Response Team, a Certified Adjunct Instructor and a Field Training Officer. Corporal Blanton is currently assigned to the Center's specialized Intake Unit.

Corporal Blanton displays an innate talent when it comes to discovering contraband. On August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019, he found thirty-five Suboxone strips while searching an inmate housed in the disciplinary restrictive unit. On August 24<sup>th</sup>, 2019, Corporal Blanton, during the course of managing a housing unit, prevented an inmate from swallowing five Suboxone strips.

On September 17, 2019, Corporal Blanton was tasked with searching an inmate he suspected of having CDS in his possession. While conducting this search, Corporal Blanton found a zip lock bag secreted in the private area of the inmates under garments. The bag contained eight unopened Suboxone strips with a jail value of \$1,360. The discovery of this CDS led to criminal charges against the inmate.

For the reasons noted above, we proudly recognize Corporal Christopher Blanton as our Jennifer Road Detention Center Employee of the Year.

Michael Borgese

Correctional Facility Administrator