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LaGrange Police Officers to Begin Wearing Personal Tactical Medical Kits

LaGrange, Ga. August 24, 2018 – LaGrange Police Officers will soon begin wearing person tactical medical kits.



LPD Officer Wade Sheppard wears the new personal tactical medical kits

These kits are designed to help stop the bleeding as soon as possible usually used by Combat and Tactical Medics.

Currently, LPD officers check out medical kits when they are on patrol.

With these personal tactical medical kits, officers will not have to go back to the vehicle to get supplies, the medical kit will be within reach, strapped to their body.

The medical kits will include a tourniquet, pressure bandage, chest seal, and QuikClot, a material used to stop the bleeding.

Earlier this month, an officer was able to save the life of an accidental shooting victim by having QuikClot close by.

LPD Officer Wade Sheppard helped to get the kits available to all officers.

“The Trauma kits are a great asset for our officers and will make them better prepared to potentially save their life or a citizen’s life,” Sheppard said.

“Now that the officers will have the kits on their person it will speed up the process of rendering aid to those in need and increase the likelihood of a positive outcome.”

LPD plans to order fifty kits for officers.

“I am proud that we are able to provide our officers with these additional life-saving tools,” said Lt. Eric Lohr.

“I appreciate Officer Sheppard’s hard work and perseverance in making this initiative come to fruition.”

The kits will be paid for with condemnation funds.

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