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Congratulations to Sergeant Bo Williams, recipient of the City of Coral Gables “Officer of the Month Award,” for the month of May 2019.

I respectfully nominate Sergeant Bo Williams (ID # 10211) for Officer of The Month - May 2019 for demonstrating outstanding preventive patrol and field interrogation techniques after he encountered a suspicious person who matched the description of a BOLO suspect who had been suspected of committing multiple bicycle thefts in the City of Coral Gables North District.

In the past 90 days, there have been approximately twenty-five (25) reports of bicycles being stolen from within the City of Coral Gables jurisdictional boundaries. Sergeant Williams took personal notice of this undesirable trend and made it a point to always be on the look-out (BOLO) for possible bicycle theft suspects while doing his daily patrol and supervisory duties.

On Saturday, May 3, 2019, at approximately 3:25 A.M., Sergeant Williams persistence and vigilance paid off while he was driving his marked patrol vehicle through a residential area when he observed a suspicious male walking slowly through the intersection of Coral Way and Segovia Street at an unusual time. Sergeant Williams immediately recognized the suspicious person as a possible bicycle theft subject from a Criminal Investigations Division "Need to Identify" BOLO flyer No. 19-127.

Sergeant Williams stopped and detained the subject and immediately contacted CID Sergeant Detective Jesus Garcia and Detective David Grigg who both responded on scene and positively identified him as the BOLO subject and offender who was recorded on video stealing a bicycle from the fenced backyard of one residence (CGPD Case No. 19-3217), and attempting to steal another bicycle from the curtilage of another residence on security camera video (CGPD Case No. 19-3651). The offender was arrested and post Miranda, he identified himself as the person in the residential security camera video, but did not admit to stealing or attempting to steal any bicycles.