

# OFFICER TIM MOSES

On September 3, 2009 at 1430 hours Officer Tim Moses responded with several other Spokane Police Department officers to a possible suicide on the Monroe Street Bridge.

Officer Moses immediately made verbal contact with the male subject. The male was straddling the west rail and eventually made further movements toward jumping by moving more of his body over the middle of the rail. His demeanor and body language indicated he was serious about taking his life.

Officer Moses kept the man calmed, even though the man detected officers closing distance for a possible intervention. When the man looked over his shoulder at one of the contact teams, Officer Moses was able to also close distance on the man and physically remove him from the railing. This immediate action by Officer Moses saved the man from injuring or killing himself. It also allowed contact teams the opportunity to take the man into custody without injury to him or SPD officers. The contact teams were at a tactical disadvantage because of the man's position on the bridge. Although there were several officers present, Officer Moses' efforts were the key to saving this man.



Officer Moses received the Lifesaving Bar, to be worn on his uniform. He will also be presented with the Lifesaving Medal at our annual Employee Awards Ceremony, in February 2010.



**The Lifesaving Award is given to department personnel who, by their immediate actions, have saved a human life under unusual and/or extraordinary circumstances.**