Lindon Citizens are the Best!

I want to take this opportunity to thank each of you for your involvement in Lindon City and for the interest and ownership that you show us each day in our Public Safety efforts. We fully realize that sometimes it’s hard to like the Cops! Statistically most people will only have a couple of involvements in their life with the Police and they’re both negative experiences... usually getting traffic tickets and being in a traffic accident. Let’s be honest, you really don’t want the Cops in your life much until you really need us... and we hope that day never comes! Because of these natural feelings, we make a great effort to be involved with our community, to know what’s going on, how we can help and where we can best focus our efforts. I really believe that if you know us, know that we’re people who really care and truly want to help, then together we can keep our City a safe and happy place. True, we’ll still give you a ticket if you really need one, and most people agree with that. We’ll arrest your kid or pick up your dog if they’re really out of line. But you as a community recognize that those things have to happen too.

I’d like to talk about a word I just used, “together”. This simple word is so important, as together we take on our problems, together we fulfill our achievements and dreams and together we live in harmony and peace. Our citizens in Lindon are the best, and I can prove it. No city in the nation, of any size, experiences the amount of community involvement that we do in our community emergency planning efforts. No kidding, they think that we’re making up our figures! Our citizens know to report suspicious incidents to us as soon as they happen. I hope that’s because of a trust that we have built so that you know we’ll be there, good or bad, to take on whatever challenge is out there. Our citizens come out to support our community education efforts as together we raise our next generation of leaders. Our citizens celebrate with us as we honor those who have come before and served, with our efforts to honor our Veterans. And most importantly at least to me... our Citizens stand behind us in our efforts to protect and defend our way of life in Lindon and occasionally they seek me or one of my Officers out and will simply tell me “Thanks” and shake my hand and for that I am deeply honored.

Sir Edmund Burke once said, “Nobody made a greater mistake than he who did nothing because he could do only a little” I submit that you as citizens of Lindon know that you can do at least a little and in most cases you do a whole lot. Very few of you will sit on your hands and let something bad happen and that is so very valuable. We enjoy community involvement every day that other cities only dream about. Please watch for future opportunities to work together as our Youth Education Series progresses (great turnout last month!) Our Emergency Drills take the next progressive step onward and as our Veteran’s Memorial takes shape and is dedicated this spring. Know that we are always out there and a moment away whenever there is a need and thank you for your trust in us.

Cody Cullimore, Chief of Police