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Corrections News

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Strong Chosen as Department January Employee of the Month

Mike Strong has been selected as the Missouri Department of Corrections Employee of the Month for January 2010. Strong is employed as a Maintenance Supervisor II at Jefferson City Correctional Center in Jefferson City, Missouri. Strong is being recognized for going above and beyond his normal working duties.

In a letter to Strong, Missouri Department of Corrections Director George A. Lombardi wrote, "Last year when the institution was notified they could receive several thousand dollars of video camera equipment from a federal program, you spent hours working with the institution on a plan for the equipment and reviewing the contract items available to prepare a purchase request. You also generated plans for running fiber-optic cable, powering the cameras, installation location for the recording equipment and synchronizing it with the existing system. When the equipment arrived it was not what was ordered and could not be exchanged. It also would not work with the plans you had made so you had to redesign the whole operation. You kept your crew busy installing cameras, conduit, power, and pulling three huge fiber-optic cables through the existing manhole to connect buildings. You completed this project while keeping up on all of your regular duties including maintenance of all communication, electrical, and electronic equipment issues as well as shared general supervision of plumbing, building structure repair, mowing/snow removal, and the electric fence maintenance. You are a very capable individual, with extraordinary expertise. You make sure things are done correctly and completely in spite of any hurdles. Your ability to accept a diversity of job assignments and perform them at high level benefits Jefferson City Correctional Center, and the department as a whole."

Strong has been employed with the Department of Corrections for 10 ½ years and resides in Jefferson City, Missouri.

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