



## Huntington Beach Police Department

# *PRESS RELEASE*

### **Mother says officers saved her daughters life**

On Sunday November 19, 2006 at approximately 2:30 PM, Huntington Beach Police Officers Shawn Randall and Jennifer Marlatt received a call of a child not breathing on Dairyview Circle. They responded with red lights and siren to the call, hoping to reach the child in time to administer medical aid. When the two officers arrived, they found a 5-year old female lying on the grass in front of an apartment complex. The officers quickly assessed the child's condition and found that she had a rapid heart rate, her lips were turning blue and she was not breathing.

Officer Randall immediately began "mouth to mouth" rescue breathing on the child while Officer Marlatt monitored her pulse and chest movements. After a minute of rescue breathing, the child responded by beginning to breathe on her own. She was then transported to the hospital by the Huntington Beach Fire Paramedics and is expected to make a complete recovery.

The child was attending a birthday party and had been playing in a bounce house after just eating. The child's mother said she found her daughter face down in the bounce house and not breathing. She pulled the child out and was able to remove a small amount of noodles from her mouth; however she was still not breathing. She said prior to the officer's arrival, her daughter was not breathing, her lips were discolored and her skin was cold.

The child's mother told police that it was her opinion that Officers Randall and Marlatt saved her daughters life. It is apparent that the quick actions of the two officers saved this 5 year old girls life.

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