

# Collin County Going the Extra Mile (GEM) Recognition Form

Honoree's Name: Leigh Riley

Honoree's Job Title: Supervision Officer

Department: Community Supervision and Corrections Department

Years of Service with the County: 28

Why the Honoree is receiving a GEM Award including dates:

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I, Leticia Gibbs, Unit Supervisor, Collin County CSCD would like to recommend that Ms. Leigh Riley receive a GEM award for her participation in facilitating a Moral Reconciliation Therapy (MRT) class in the Sheriff's Convicted ReEntry Effort (SCORE Program). MRT is a cognitive behavioral program "designed to enhance self image, promote growth of a positive identity, and facilitate the development of higher stages of moral reasoning." MRT is evidence based and research shows that MRT is effective in reducing rearrests and reincarceration of offenders. Earlier this year, Collin County CSCD decided to make MRT one of the core classes in the SCORE Program. At that time, Ms. Riley volunteered to be trained as an MRT facilitator and facilitate a class in SCORE. She completed the 32 hour facilitator training in September of 2013 and since that time she has been facilitating an MRT group. In addition to her regular duties Ms. Riley spends several hours each week preparing course material and facilitating the group. Ms. Riley has been described as a great asset and an overall great MRT facilitator for the offenders she serves. It has been reported that "she truly gives of herself during each session. As a result the members have grown leaps and bounds because of her dedication to them and the program". Ms Riley is a very appreciated asset to the program and this department.

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Approved by elected official or department head on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of June, 2014

R. L. Hughes  
Signature of Elected Official  
or Department Head

Bob Hughes  
Printed Name