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Growing up in Chicago's Englewood neighborhood, **SERGEANT THERESA BERRY** has long wanted the Chicago Police Department to reflect the diversity of neighborhoods like her own. This was the primary reason she joined the Chicago Police Department. She now gets to serve not only neighborhoods like hers, but also the officers under her supervision who work in those neighborhoods each day.

Since Sgt. Berry joined the Chicago Police Department, she has consistently shown her tremendous leadership traits and abilities throughout her various assignments. From her assignment as a field training officer all the way through her running a very successful Strategic Decision Support Center in the Third District as a newly appointed sergeant, Sgt. Berry has been notable among her peers. Because of her outstanding work, she was selected to be a supervisor of the newly created Criminal Analytics Section, where she continues to shine as a front-line supervisor.

Sgt. Berry is the recipient of numerous awards including the Chicago Police Department Leadership Award, 20 honorable mentions, multiple complimentary letters and Crime Reduction awards, and a Unit Meritorious Performance Award among others. Her Leadership Award was largely due to her role in the Peer Support Program, where she has gone above and beyond her regular duties to provide additional support and encouragement to her fellow officers. This voluntary assignment further exemplifies Sgt. Berry's tremendous commitment to the Chicago Police Department and her fellow law enforcement colleagues.

"I seek out change; therefore, I get a broader picture of law enforcement and can better serve those officers who are under my supervision."