

First Responder Lifetime Achievement Award – 2025

Award Description:

The First Responder Lifetime Achievement Award is the highest honor bestowed upon an individual who has dedicated their life to the service and protection of our community. This prestigious award recognizes a first responder whose extraordinary career embodies unwavering commitment, exceptional service, and profound impact on public safety. It celebrates the exemplary dedication, leadership, and sacrifice made over a significant period, inspiring others, and leaving a lasting legacy.

Qualifications:

Service Tenure:

• The nominee must have a minimum of 20 years of service as a first responder (police, fire, emergency medical services, or other relevant emergency services).

Exemplary Service:

- Demonstrated outstanding performance and dedication to duty throughout their career.
- Consistently exceeded the standard expectations of their role, exhibiting exceptional professionalism and integrity.

Leadership and Mentorship:

- Proven record of leadership within their organization or community.
- Actively contributed to the training, mentorship, and development of fellow first responders, fostering a culture of excellence.

Community Impact:

- Significant contributions to public safety and community welfare.
- Participation in community outreach programs, public education, and volunteer initiatives that enhance community resilience and safety.

Heroism and Bravery:

- Instances of valor and bravery, demonstrating courage in the face of danger.
- Recognized for heroic acts or life-saving interventions that go beyond the call of duty.

Professional Development:

- Continuous pursuit of professional growth through education, training, and certifications.
- Contributions to the advancement of first responder practices and protocols.

Peer Recognition:

• Nominee must be respected and admired by colleagues, peers, and community members for their exceptional character and contributions.

Nomination Process:

Nominations:

- Nominations can be submitted by colleagues, supervisors, community members, or organizations familiar with the nominee's career and impact.
- A detailed nomination form must be completed, outlining the nominee's qualifications, and providing specific examples of their contributions and achievements.

Supporting Documentation:

• Letters of recommendation, commendations, awards, and other relevant documentation supporting the nominee's qualifications may be included. (Optional)

Selection Committee:

 A panel of esteemed professionals and community leaders will review the nominations and select the recipient based on the outlined criteria.

Award Presentation:

The First Responder Lifetime Achievement Award will be presented during the First Responders Breakfast and Awards Ceremony. The recipient will be honored with a commemorative award and a public acknowledgment of their remarkable contributions to public safety and community service. This award aims to highlight and celebrate the lasting legacy of a true hero who has dedicated their life to protecting and serving others.