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**LIFESAVERS &
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CHALLENGE
AUGUST 26 - 28, 2009



GOVERNOR'S HIGHWAY SAFETY OFFICE

GHSO DIRECTOR AWARDS

Lifesaver Awards Recipients

August 27, 2009

Trooper Josh Brown Tennessee Highway Patrol	Jim Camp Tennessee District Attorney's General Conference
Craig Campbell	Lt. Barry Diebold Brownsville Police Department
Maggi Duncan	Sheriff Ed Graybeal Washington County Sheriff Office
Steve Hall	Dr. Betsy Preston Lifetime Achievement Award Child Passenger Safety
Samatha Walker Tennessee Department of Safety	Seargent Chris Webb Kimball Police Department



August 28, 2009

Tennessee Law Enforcement Agencies Earn Statewide, National Honors *Awards Recognize 55 Agencies Across State*

Nashville, TN –The Tennessee Department of Transportation Governor's Highway Safety Office today announced the winners of the 5th Annual Law Enforcement Challenge. The Law Enforcement Challenge is presented to law enforcement agencies across the state by the Governor's Highway Safety Office. It recognizes outstanding performances by law enforcement agencies and officers from across the state.

"From child passenger safety to impaired driving campaigns, police agencies across Tennessee utilize a wide variety of programs to increase safety in their communities," said Governor Phil Bredesen. "Their dedication saves countless lives each year and certainly deserves this recognition both by the state and nation."

A total of 55 awards were presented during a ceremony at the Music City Sheraton Hotel in Nashville on August 28. Nationally, Tennessee agencies earned five top honors. Regardless of type or size, all of the agencies that applied were considered for these awards.

"The National Law Enforcement Challenge honors the good work of our police agencies," said TDOT Commissioner Gerald Nicely. "It also provides an incentive for law enforcement agencies to reach new heights, set comprehensive goals, and to share their experiences. These enforcement and education efforts help keep our roads safe and help foster better drivers."

The Law Enforcement Challenge is an annual competition designed to recognize and reward the best overall traffic safety programs across the state *and* across the country as judged by the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP). Similar sizes and types of agencies are judged on their local efforts to enforce laws and educate the public about the dangers of driving impaired and speeding as well as the importance of occupant protection. The thirty-one winning safety programs combined officer training, public information and enforcement to reduce crashes and injuries within their jurisdictions.

GHSO Director Kendell Poole reminded the group of law enforcement representatives that there are no losers in this competition, "Everyone here today is a winner. Each day, the law enforcement officers in Tennessee work to save lives and reduce the frequency and severity of injuries on our highways. The awards presented today illustrate not only the achievements made in highway safety but our appreciation for your work."

A list of state and national winners is attached to this release.

For more information about TDOT's Governor's Highway Safety Office, go the to TDOT web site at www.state.tn.us/tdot.

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National Challenge Winners:

Municipal 1 -8 Officers	Middleton Police Department	3 rd Place
Sheriff's 1 – 20 Officers	Lauderdale Co. Sheriff's Office	1 st Place
Sheriff's 1 – 20 Officers	Hardin Co. Sheriff's Office	3 rd Place
Municipal 36-45 Officers	Crossville Police Department	1 st Place
Municipal 36-45 Officers	Union City Police Department	3 rd Place
Sheriff's 31-50 Officers	Fayette Co. Sheriff's Office	1 st Place (tie)
Sheriff's 31-50 Officers	Tipton Co. Sheriff's Office	1 st Place (tie)
Municipal 66-100 Officers	Cookeville Police Department	2 nd Place
Municipal 101-250 Officers	Franklin Police Department	3 rd Place
Sheriff's 401–1,000 Officers	Shelby Co. Sheriff's Office	3 rd Place
State Police 501-1,000 Officers	Tennessee Highway Patrol	2 nd Place
Military Police	Fort Campbell	3 rd Place
Multi-Jurisdictional	Cumberland Region Networks	1 st Place
Multi-Jurisdictional	C.A.R.E. Network	3 rd Place
Commercial Motor Vehicle	Tennessee Highway Patrol	

State Challenge Winners:

Category 1-10 Officers

3 rd Place	Estill Springs Police Department
2 nd Place	Dover Police Department
1 st Place	Middleton Police Department

Category 11-25 Officers

3 rd Place	Bolivar Police Department
2 nd Place	Hardin County Sheriff's Office
1 st Place	Lauderdale County Sheriff's Office

Category 26-50 Officers

3 rd Place	Brownsville Police Department
2 nd Place	Martin Police Department
1 st Place	Crossville Police Department

Category 51-100 Officers

3 rd Place	Brentwood Police Department
2 nd Place	Gallatin Police Department
1 st Place	Cookeville Police Department

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Category 101-250 Officers

- 3rd Place Johnson City Police Department
- 2nd Place Bartlett Police Department
- 1st Place Franklin Police Department

Category 251-500 Officers

- 2nd Place Chattanooga Police Department
- 1st Place Knoxville Police Department

Category 501-1,000 Officers

- 1st Place Shelby County Sheriff's Office

Category 1,001-2,000 Officers

- 1st Place Metro-Nashville Police Department

Category 2,001 or more Officers

- 1st Place Memphis Police Department

Category TN Highway Patrol Districts

- 3rd Place - District 4 Memphis
- 2nd Place District 7 Lawrenceburg
- 1st Place District 5 Fall Branch

Category Multi-Jurisdictional

- 2nd Place CARE Network
- 1st Place Cumberland Region Networks

Category Military Police

- 1st Place Fort Campbell

Category Universities

- 3rd Place University of the South
- 2nd Place University of Tennessee at Martin
- 1st Place East Tennessee State University

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Special Category Awards:

Rookie of the Year	Lauderdale County Sheriff's Office
Occupant Protection	Gallatin Police Department
Impaired Driving	Crossville Police Department
Speed Awareness	Cookeville Police Department
Child Passenger Safety	Cookeville Police Department
Underage Alcohol Prevention	Benton Police Department
Technology Award	Gallatin Police Department
Bicycle / Pedestrian Award	Gallatin Police Department
Commercial Motor Vehicle	Knoxville Police Department
Motorcycle Safety Award	Alcoa Police Department
Director's Cup	Cookeville Police Department
Challenge Championship	Benton Police Department

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