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Tennessee Law Enforcement Agencies Earn Statewide, National Honors *57 awards earned by agencies from across the state*

Nashville, TN –The Tennessee Department of Transportation Governor's Highway Safety Office announced the winners of the 6th Annual Law Enforcement Challenge at an event on Friday, September 10. This year's winners included agencies from across the state including 13 national awards. The Law Enforcement Challenge is presented to law enforcement agencies across the state by the Governor's Highway Safety Office.

"The Law Enforcement Challenge recognizes outstanding performances by law enforcement agencies and officers from across the state," said Governor Phil Bredesen. "These dedicated public servants work diligently for the good of their communities and deserve this recognition both by the state and nationally."

A total of 57 awards were presented during a ceremony Friday, September 10. Nationally, Tennessee agencies won thirteen awards including five top honors. Regardless of type or size, all of the agencies that applied were considered for these awards.

"The National Law Enforcement Challenge provides an incentive for law enforcement agencies to reach new heights, set comprehensive goals, and to share their experiences," said Nicely. "These enforcement and education efforts promote better driving habits and make our roads safer."

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 forty 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 to the TDOT web site at www.state.tn.us/tdot.

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National Challenge Winners:

Municipal 1-10 Officers	Middleton Police Department	1 st Place
Municipal 1-10 Officers	Wartburg Police Department	3 rd Place
Municipal 26-45 Officers	Brownsville Police Department	2 nd Place
Municipal 46-75 Officers	Cookeville Police Department	2 nd Place
Municipal 46-75 Officers	Bristol Police Department	3 rd Place
Municipal 101-200 Officers	Franklin Police Department	2 nd Place
Municipal 1001 or more	Nashville Metro Police Department	2 nd Place
Sheriff's 501-1,000 Officers	Shelby County Sheriff's Office	1 st Place
State Police 501-1,000 Officers	Tennessee Highway Patrol	3 rd Place
Military Police	Fort Campbell Police	1 st Place
University Law Enforcement	East Tennessee University Police	2 nd Place
Multi-Jurisdictional Agencies	Cumberland Region Networks	1 st Place

Special Category Awards, Child Passenger Safety, Franklin Police Department

State Challenge Winners:

Category 1-10 Officers

3 rd Place	Estill Springs Police Department
2 nd Place	Benton Police Department
1 st Place	Wartburg Police Department

Category 11-25 Officers

3 rd Place	White House Police Department
2 nd Place	Clinton Police Department
1 st Place	Bolivar Police Department

Category 26-45 Officers

3 rd Place	Union City Police Department
2 nd Place	Martin Police Department
1 st Place	Brownsville Police Department



Category 46-75 Officers

- 3rd Place Gallatin Police Department
- 2nd Place Maryville Police Department
- 1st Place Bristol Police Department

Category 76-100 Officers

- 1st Place Collierville Police Department

Category 101-200 Officers

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

Category 201-500 Officers

- 3rd Place Montgomery County Sheriff's Office
- 2nd Place Chattanooga Police Department
- 1st Place Clarksville Police Department

Category 501-1,000 Officers

- 1st Place Shelby County Sheriff's Office

Category 1,001 or more Officers

- 2nd Place Memphis Police Department
- 1st Place Metro-Nashville Police Department

Category TN Highway Patrol Districts

- 3rd Place - District 7 Lawrenceburg
- 2nd Place District 6 Cookeville
- 1st Place District 1 Knoxville

Category Multi-Jurisdictional

- 3rd Place CARE Network
- 2nd Place East Tennessee Networks
- 1st Place Cumberland Region Networks

Category Military Police

- 1st Place Fort Campbell

Category Universities

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



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Special Category Awards:

Rookie of the Year	Oak Ridge Police Department
Occupant Protection	Cookeville Police Department
Impaired Driving	Crossville Police Department
Speed Awareness	Crossville Police Department
Child Passenger Safety	Franklin Police Department
Underage Alcohol Prevention	Middleton Police Department
Technology Award	Fort Campbell Military Police
Bicycle / Pedestrian Award	Metro-Nashville Police Department
Commercial Motor Vehicle	Chattanooga THP, District 2
Motorcycle Safety Award	Blount County Sheriff's Office
Director's Cup	Franklin Police Department
Challenge Championship	Cookeville Police Department

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