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MAJOR COUNTY SHERIFFS OF AMERICA HOLDS AWARD CEREMONY AT ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Honors were given to the 2025 winners of MCSA Member Agency Awards

On September 22nd, 2026, the Major County Sheriffs of America (MCSA), held its Annual Conference Awards ceremony in Milwaukee to honor agency personnel who have went above and beyond in their profession. The following awards were given out during a ceremony attended by MCSA member sheriffs, federal law enforcement partners, and corporate partners who support MCSA. Motorola Solutions sponsored the ceremony and assisted in presenting the awards to the recipients. The awards given reflect the honorees efforts for the previous year.

"These honorees represent the best of what our member agencies do every day," said MCSA President Sheriff Bob Gualtieri. "From answering a call for help to serving in our jails and protecting our communities, their work demands skill, compassion, and courage. We are proud to recognize each of them, and we especially honor Deputy Andrew Nunez and the sacrifice he made in the line of duty."

2025 Civilian of the Year

Work Farm Inmate Crew Leader Jose Torres
Manatee County Sheriff's Office, Florida
Sheriff Rick Wells

2025 Public Safety Telecommunicator of the Year

Emergency Communications Specialist I Joseph Daviduke
Orange County Sheriff's Office, FL
Sheriff John Mina

2025 Distinguished Unit of the Year

Hennepin County Emergency Communications Division
Hennepin County Sheriff's Office, MN
Sheriff Dawanna Witt

2025 Corrections Deputy of the Year

Deputy Matthew Doherty
Middlesex Sheriff's Office, MA
Sheriff Peter Koutoujian

2025 Deputy of the Year

Detective Shaun Wallen
San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department, CA
Sheriff Shannon Dicus

2025 Medal of Valor

Deputy Andrew Nunez
San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department, CA
Sheriff Shannon Dicus
Awarded Posthumously

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