



MCSA LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF THE YEAR

The annual MCSA Law Enforcement Officer of the Year Award is given to a law enforcement officer who has demonstrated service above and beyond the call of duty.

Criteria for Consideration

To be considered for the MCSA Law Enforcement Officer of the Year award, the nominee should have accomplished some outstanding service, heroic act or demonstrated high personal standards and service above and beyond the call of duty during the previous calendar year. Each Sheriff may submit one nomination per year. The criteria may include, but is not limited to:

- one or more heroic acts,
- high personal standards and service above and beyond the call of duty,
- “technical excellence” (law enforcement),
- Innovation/initiative in creating a new or innovative law enforcement program,
- outstanding efforts in criminal investigation,
- outstanding narcotics investigation,
- lifesaving acts sensibly performed, or
- other exemplary performance as determined by the Sheriff.

Procedures for the Award

All Sheriffs will receive an announcement, a minimum of 6 weeks prior to, when nominations for this award are due to be returned to the offices of the Major County Sheriffs of America. The announcement will include full instructions for submission. Each Sheriff is allowed to submit one nomination, with the exception of a team effort of up to three individuals. In that event, a team nomination will be treated as one nomination.

The Nominations and Awards Committee, coordinated by the Chairman, will review all the nominations and submit the selection to the Board of Directors for approval. The Executive Director will contact the Sheriff who made the winning nomination. The winner will be invited to the next MCSA Summer Conference where he/she will:

- (1) receive a plaque,
- (2) receive a gift or monetary award of \$2,000 which will be determined in consultation with the nominating Sheriff, the Committee Chairman and the Executive Director,
- (3) receive complimentary conference registration for themselves and up to 3 other individuals,
- (4) receive economy airfare for themselves and up to 3 other individuals, and
- (5) receive 2 complimentary rooms at the conference hotel for 2 nights.

Information will be provided for a press release to immediately follow the presentation. The Committee will also provide a runner-up, who will be notified of this selection and receive a plaque from MCSA.



MCSA CORRECTIONAL OFFICER OF THE YEAR

The annual MCSA Correctional Officer of the Year Award is given to a corrections officer who has demonstrated service above and beyond the call of duty.

Criteria for Consideration

To be considered for the MCSA Correctional Officer of the Year award, the nominee should have accomplished some outstanding service, heroic act or demonstrated high personal standards and service above and beyond the call of duty during the previous calendar year. Each Sheriff who maintains direct jail oversight for their county may submit one nomination per year. The criteria may include, but is not limited to:

- one or more heroic acts,
- high personal standards and service above and beyond the call of duty,
- “technical excellence” (corrections),
- Innovation/initiative in creating a new or innovative jail management program,
- lifesaving acts sensibly performed, or
- other exemplary performance as deemed by the Sheriff.

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MCSA DISPATCHER OF THE YEAR

The annual MCSA Dispatcher of the Year Award is given to a dispatcher who has demonstrated service above and beyond the call of duty.

Dispatcher Definition

A member of a Sheriff's office that is responsible for receiving emergency public safety related calls for service, routing and tracking calls to the appropriate service, dispatching deputies and operating E911 systems.

Criteria for Consideration

To be considered for the MCSA Dispatcher of the Year award, the nominee should have accomplished some outstanding service, heroic act or demonstrated high personal standards and service above and beyond the call of duty during the previous calendar year. Each Sheriff may submit one nomination per year. The criteria may include, but is not limited to:

- high personal and professional conduct that reflects high standards and service above and beyond the call of duty,
- a work ethic that earns the respect of co-workers and supervisors,
- "technical excellence" (dispatch),
- consistently exhibits outstanding performance and controls any situation where lives and/or property are in jeopardy, or
- other exemplary performance as determined by the Sheriff.

Procedures for the Award

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