The Governor’s Transportation Safety Awards recognize individuals and organizations who have made contributions to transportation safety in Virginia. The awards recognize accomplishments in the public and private sector by individuals, state and local governments, federal agencies, the military, businesses and organizations that promote transportation safety. The awards are open to any person or organization who performs an outstanding transportation safety activity or program during the previous calendar year. This program is sponsored by the Department of Motor Vehicles, Virginia Highway Safety Office.

Awards will be presented from nominations submitted in each category for individual and/or group accomplishments, major projects and outstanding programs.

Send all entries to the Governor’s Transportation Safety Awards, c/o Audrey Odum, Room 405, Post Office Box 27412, Richmond, Virginia 23269-0001. **Entries must be postmarked by March 12, 2014.**

**RULES**

**Eligibility:** Any individual, organization, business or government agency is eligible. The nominee must have made an outstanding effort to change the attitudes and behaviors of motorists leading to the reduction of crashes, injuries and fatalities associated with transportation in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

**Time Frame:** Activities and programs must have taken place during calendar year 2013. Entries must be postmarked no later than March 12, 2014. Mail entries to the Governor’s Transportation Safety Awards, c/o Audrey Odum, Room 405, Post Office Box 27412, Richmond, Virginia 23269-0001.

**Criteria for Selection:** The awards selection will be made by the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles/Highway Safety Office Selection Committee. Entries will be judged on impact on the community; use of volunteers and private sector resources; creativity; imagination; and uniqueness.

**Notification:** Winners will be notified in May 2014.

**Presentation:** Awards will be presented in June 2014.

**Nomination Instructions**

Complete the nomination form on the following page. Include with your nomination form the following information in no more than six pages:

1. A brief description of the program.
2. Background information on the program. Why did it occur and what made it unique? Include any relevant statistics on what problems existed and what you wanted to accomplish.
3. Outstanding elements and accomplishments in the program (e.g., number of persons trained).
4. Approximate number of people impacted by the activity or program (e.g., project provided 100 free rides during New Years; program reached 10,000 teens statewide).
5. Describe any public/private resources used to implement the program (e.g., services, materials and/or funds raised or donated).
6. Describe how volunteers were used in the program (e.g., 100 fire and rescue personnel volunteered to inspect child safety seats).
7. Submit the original and three copies of the completed nomination form and supporting documentation. Please do not send video tapes, CDs/diskettes or photographs.
**Lifetime Safety Achievement**
Presented for lifetime achievement in the area of transportation safety. Awarded to Steven D. Goodwin, Roanoke, Virginia.

**Employer Safety**
Presented for employers who take the extra initiative to promote traffic safety and encourage their employees to practice safe driving behaviors. No award for 2013.

**General Traffic Safety**
Presented for outstanding efforts in educating citizens and changing attitudes and behaviors regarding transportation safety. Individuals/organizations demonstrating exemplary achievement in the design, development and/or implementation of engineering techniques that reduce crashes on Virginia’s highways will also be considered for this award. Awarded to Deputy Troy Wheeler, Spotsylvania, Virginia.

**Impaired Driving**
Presented for encouraging the prevention of drunk and/or drugged driving. Awarded to “Chooser Cruiser,” Northern, Virginia.

**Law Enforcement**
Presented to law enforcement personnel taking extra initiative to promote and encourage safety in their community. Awarded to Virginia Commonwealth University Police Department, Richmond, Virginia.

**Media**
Presented to media representatives or a news outlet helping to spread the word about traffic safety through fair and accurate reporting or programming. Awarded to Joe Flanagan, WVEC, Hampton Roads, Virginia.

**Edgar P. Layman, Jr. Award for Motor Carrier Safety**
Presented for contributions in furthering the safety of the motor carrier industry through educational programs and activities. Awarded to Drive Safe Hampton Roads, Hampton Roads, Virginia.

**Motorcycle Safety**
Presented for persons educating motorists and motorcyclists about motorcycle safety. Awarded to John C. Heavener, Manassas, Virginia.

**Occupant Protection**
Presented for promoting and encouraging the use of safety belts and/or child safety seats through creative and innovative programs and activities. Awarded to First Sergeant Alvin D. Blankenship, Virginia State Police – Area 10 Office and Lieutenant Jeff Dube, Town of Leesburg Police Department.

**E. Wallace Timmons Award for Pedestrian/Bicycle Safety**
Presented for encouraging safe walking and bicycling. Awarded to Pulaski Police Department, Pulaski, Virginia.

**Public Transportation Safety**
Presented for contributions made in educating drivers and riders about safety on public transportation. Awarded to Norfolk Checker Taxi, Norfolk, Virginia.

**Pupil Transportation Safety**
Presented for encouraging, educating and promoting safety in pupil transportation thus improving safety for drivers and riders. Awarded to Deputy Randall Smith, Bedford County Sheriff’s Office.

**Youth Traffic Safety**
Presented for persons or programs educating youth on the importance of youth traffic safety. Awarded to Stuarts Draft High School’s Students Against Drunk Driving (SADD)/Youth of Virginia Speak Out (YOVASO) Clubs, Stuarts Draft, Virginia.
# Nomination Form

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