



*Commonwealth of Virginia*



*Governor's  
Transportation Safety  
Awards*

**2008**

# Commonwealth of Virginia Governor's Transportation Safety Awards

VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES

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 Virginia Board of Transportation Safety, comprised of citizens appointed by the Governor of Virginia.

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 701, Post Office Box 27412, Richmond, Virginia 23269-0001. **Entries must be postmarked by February 8, 2008.**

## 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 2007. Entries must be postmarked no later than February 8, 2008. Mail entries to the Governor's Transportation Safety Awards, c/o Audrey Odum, Room 701, Post Office Box 27412, Richmond, Virginia 23269-0001.

**Criteria for Selection:** The awards selection will be made by the Virginia Board of Transportation Safety. 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 by March 31, 2008.

**Presentation:** Awards will be presented by the Virginia Board of Transportation Safety in June 2008.

# Award Categories and 2007 Award Winners

**Lifetime Safety Achievement** — Presented for lifetime achievement in the area of transportation safety. Awarded to Sgt. Edgar J. Wimberly (Retired) – Fairfax County Police Department.

**W. Calvin Falwell/Major Kenneth Rowe Award for Aviation Safety** — Presented for promoting air safety. Awarded to Angel Flight of Virginia – Virginia Beach, 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 2007 nominations.

**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 BRTSB Roanoke Regional Crash Investigation Team.

**Impaired Driving** — Presented for encouraging the prevention of drunk and/or drugged driving. Awarded to Christiansburg Police Department.

**Law Enforcement** — Presented to law enforcement personnel taking extra initiative to promote and encourage safety in their community. Awarded to MPO Robert P. Barton – Fairfax County Police Department.

**Legal** — Presented to attorneys or judges who actively support safety issues thus strengthening existing laws and creating new laws. Awarded to Judge Norman "Dev" Morrison – 26th District.

**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 Metro Productions – Richmond, 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 Senior Deputy Christopher Rizzo – Loudoun County Sheriff's Office.

**Motorcycle Safety** — Presented for persons educating motorists and motorcyclists about motorcycle safety. Awarded to Cundiff H. Simmons – White Stone, 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 Gloucester Sheriff's Office.

**E. Wallace Timmons Award for Pedestrian/Bicycle Safety** — Presented for encouraging safe walking and bicycling. Awarded to The W&OD Trail Patrol – Asburn, Virginia.

**Public Transportation Safety** — Presented for contributions made in educating drivers and riders about safety on public transportation. No 2007 nominations.

**Pupil Transportation Safety** — Presented for encouraging, educating and promoting safety in pupil transportation thus improving safety for drivers and riders. Awarded to Henrico County Division of Police.

**Rail Safety** — Presented for promoting safety on freight and/or passenger rail systems. No 2007 nominations.

**Water Safety** — Presented for contributions made in improving safety for swimmers, boaters and fishermen. Awarded to Newport News Police Department.

**Youth Traffic Safety** — Presented for persons or programs educating youth and spreading the message on the importance of youth traffic safety. Awarded to Ben Swecker, Partners for Safe Teen Driving.

## 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.

# Nomination Form

AWARD CATEGORY		
PERSON(S)/ORGANIZATION(S) NOMINATED		
STREET/MAILING ADDRESS		
CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE

## Submitted by:

YOUR NAME		
ORGANIZATION		
MAILING ADDRESS		
CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE
TELEPHONE NUMBER	EMAIL ADDRESS	



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