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EDMONDS POLICE DEPARTMENT-ANNUAL AWARDS CEREMONY
OFFICERS AND CITIZENS HONORED AS PART OF NATIONAL POLICE WEEK

The Edmonds Police Department would like to invite the public and members of the media to our annual awards ceremony. This year's ceremony will take place on May 19th in the City of Edmonds council chambers, located at 250 5th Avenue North. The presentation will commence at 6:00pm with the doors opening at 5:30pm.

This date was chosen to honor National Police Week, which runs from May 15th-May 21st this year. In 1962 President John F. Kennedy signed a proclamation which designated May 15th as Peace Officers Memorial Day. The National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund reported 124 Law Enforcement deaths in 2015. Since the first known line of duty death in 1791, more than 20,000 U.S. law enforcement officers have made the ultimate sacrifice.

This presentation will honor the actions of officers and citizens during the past year.

Fourteen officers will be receiving awards this year. We will also present two additional honors; Civilian employee of the year and Officer of the year. There will be eleven citizen citation awards given this year, recognizing local citizens for their actions in our community.

Speaking will be Mayor Dave Earling, Darlene Stern and Doug Purcell of the Edmonds Rotary Club joined by presenters Chief of Police Al Compaan, Assistant Chief Jim Lawless, Assistant Chief Don Anderson and Sergeant Shane Hawley.

Please join us as we recognize our local officers, civilians and their families.

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