



Press Release

International Association of Women Police Announce Recipients of 2017 Annual Recognition Programme.

The International Association of women Police, I.A.W.P. are pleased to announce the 2017 recipients of our Annual Recognition Programme, all of whom will be honoured at a formal luncheon during the IAWP's 55th Annual Training Conference due to take place between 17th and 21st September 2017, in Cairns, Australia.

Each year the I.A.W.P. receives nominations from across the globe for women in policing who are deserving of recognition for their contribution to policing and to their local communities. This year, for the first time, we also received nominations for men to be considered for our new 'male award in support of HeForShe'. It will recognise a male officer or male civilian employed by a Law Enforcement Agency or Police Force, who has made a significant contribution and commitment to the advancement of women in policing. The quality of the nominations creates a very difficult task for the selection committee, and 2017 again provided the committee with a real challenge in choosing the recipient in each category.

IAWP President Margaret Shorter, "IAWP has, for the past 100 years, promoted the role of women in policing, championing change to enable women to play their full part in delivering an inclusive service to local communities. Our belief is that women need to be recognised for their contribution, without our annual recognition programme some phenomenal women, and men, would go unrecognized for their efforts".

2017 Recipients:

OFFICER OF THE YEAR – Sponsored by Axon

To be awarded to a female officer who distinguishes herself by her exemplary conduct and achievements in more than one area of policing and over a period of time that has a significant impact on her agency and /or area of responsibility.

Police Constable Tracey Gunn
Police Scotland
United Kingdom

LEADERSHIP

To be awarded to a female officer who distinguishes herself by demonstrating a continuing long term commitment to leadership using exceptional personal skills, leading teams and team building, developing others, organizational skills and administration that has an outstanding positive impact within her agency or area of responsibility.

Superintendent Karen Noakes

York Regional Police
Canada

COMMUNITY SERVICE

To be awarded to a female officer who distinguishes herself by her exemplary actions to improve public safety, reduce crime and criminal behavior, reduce anti-social behavior or foster better relationships between Police and the local community

Constable Stephanie Glendenning
Halifax Regional Police
Canada

COACHING AND MENTORING

To be awarded to a female officer who distinguishes herself by her support, assistance and development of women in law enforcement by focusing on their career aspirations, their ongoing personal development and/or producing training programs or policies which enhance the role of women in policing.

Police Constable Nicola Flanagan
Staffordshire Police
United Kingdom

EXCELLENCE IN PERFORMANCE

To be awarded to a female officer who distinguishes herself by her exceptional policing skills that have a significant impact in her agency or area of responsibility. Such as the arrest of a prolific criminal, detection of multiples offences, improved road safety or improved Policing performance.

Constable Sara Beck
Hamilton Police Service
Canada

BRAVERY

To be awarded to a female officer who distinguishes herself by an exemplary act of bravery or heroism, on or off duty, and at risk of her own personal safety or in the face of danger and in the execution of her duty.

Police Constable Julie Bennett
Cheshire Police
United Kingdom

Police Constable Leah Greenacre
Cheshire Police
United Kingdom

CIVILIAN ACHIEVEMENT

To be awarded to a female civilian staff member of a law enforcement agency who by her exemplary conduct has made an outstanding achievement to support, promote, improve and enhance policing, law enforcement and/or the criminal justice profession.

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Senior Advisor Court Service Carol Gowanlock
Toronto Police Service
Canada

MALE AWARD in Support of 'HeForShe'

Award to recognize a male officer or male civilian employed by a law enforcement agency or police force, who has made a significant contribution and commitment to the advancement of women in policing.

Commissioner of Police Stephen Williams
Trinidad and Tobago Police Service
Trinidad

The **Mission** of the I.A.W.P. is: To strengthen, unite and raise the capacity of women in policing internationally.

Vision: IAWP envisions a world where police reflect the diversity of the communities they serve and where human rights are protected.

For more information about I.A.W.P. visit www.iawp.org

For further information on the 2017 recognition programme or permissions please contact Jane Townsley, media@iawp.org

If you or your organisation would like to discuss sponsorship opportunities for the individual awards please contact Stephanie Harding stephanieharding@iawp.org or Jane Townsley at janetownsley@blueyonder.co.uk