

PUBLIC SERVANT AWARD CITATIONS: Posts are encouraged to submit their candidate(s) to their Department Safety Director **no later than January 1, 2024.**

Submissions can be made by email to ds@vfwmi.org/ markd.fsa@gmail.com or mailed to [Mark Drayton at 1116 N. Ball Street Owosso, MI. 48867](#). Awards will be presented at the 2024 State Convention.

Qualifications:

- **EMT:** Any individual, who actively gives emergency medical treatment, provides rescue service or civil disaster assistance as a member of any public or volunteer company organized to give emergency medical care, provide rescue and civil disaster assistance to our nation's citizens.
- **Law Enforcement:** Any individual who serves in a municipal, county, state or federal unit tasked with enforcement of the laws pertaining to their area of responsibility. This award does not apply to individuals employed by private companies or security services.
- **Firefighter:** Any individual who actively fights fires as a member of any public or volunteer company organized to fight fires and give assistance to our nation's citizens.
- **911 Dispatcher:** Any individual who serves in a municipal, county, state or federal unit tasked with providing the vital link between callers in distress and emergency response teams by obtaining essential information to send the appropriate responders to the right location.

Criteria for these awards:

1. Recognition by their colleagues or those they serve
2. Consistent excellence in the performance of their duties
3. Consistent dedication to their official responsibilities over a period of years and continuous growth in responsibilities and skills within their profession.

Documentation required for all Candidates:

1. Post Entry Form containing the candidate's name, title, address, telephone number and identifying the award for which the individual should be considered. This fillable form is found on the Department of Michigan web page under Programs and Safety(highlighted in blue)
2. Nomination letter containing candidate's name, title, address, telephone and identifying the award for which the individual should be considered.
3. Include justification outlining background in field, accomplishments and awards (ex: resume)
4. Head shot (photo) of applicant.

**** Late entries will not be accepted.**

**** Incomplete packets will be returned to the sender with instructions on what needs to be corrected in the packet.**