



NATIONAL AWARDS PROGRAM

The American Police Hall of Fame and Museum developed a National Awards Program in 1972 to recognize the acts of valor of law enforcement officers throughout the United States. Outstanding actions by officers are far too often overlooked due to the lack of departmental award programs. Our National Awards Program is available to all departments across the country.



United States Law Enforcement Foundation (USLEF) is a new umbrella program, bringing together three separate organizations and many years of programmatic impact under one unifying brand, with the simple aim of advocating for law enforcement and supporting all who are involved in it. American Police Hall of Fame, National Association of Chiefs of Police, and American Federation of Police and Concerned Citizens continue to operate as programs of USLEF.

Awards Program

In this brochure you will find a nomination form and a list of the awards we offer. It is never too late to apply for an award that was not issued at the time an act took place. Please use the nomination form on the back if you know of any officer(s) who should be recognized for their actions.

Officer of the Year

In 1988, the American Police Hall of Fame began an annual search to locate one officer that they felt epitomized all law enforcement for the year. Each year the selected officer will receive recognition as the Outstanding Officer of the Year. Eligible nominees are American Law Enforcement officers who performed an act of extraordinary heroism in the line of duty. Nominations are considered based on the documentation submitted. If you know of an officer who deserves the recognition of Outstanding Officer of the Year please download a nomination form at aphf.org.



National Awards Program

The National Awards Program at the American Police Hall of Fame offers the choice of a standard or premium awards package. All Silver Star recipients will receive a framed award.

Standard Award Package - \$45

Standard Award Package includes a 8.5"x11" certificate with holder, boxed medal, uniform bar and lapel pin.



Medal Size:
1½" diameter

Premium Award Package - \$65

Premium Award Package includes a plaque mounted certificate, boxed medal, uniform bar and lapel pin.



Medal Size:
1½" diameter

Silver Star Award Package - \$85

Silver Star Package includes a framed certificate and medal, and a boxed medal, uniform bar and lapel pin. This package is only available to Silver Star recipients.



General Standards



***All Law Enforcement Award nominations MUST have the recommendation of the department's Commanding Officer.**

LAW ENFORCEMENT AWARDS

1. ***Silver Star for Bravery** – This award is issued for extraordinary heroism performed in the line of duty. It recognizes an officer whose act of courage goes above and beyond the call of duty.
2. ***Law Enforcement Purple Heart** – This award is issued to officers who are injured or disabled in the line of duty. Purple Heart recipients are eligible if they were required to seek professional medical attention and were out of work at least one week.
3. ***Merit Award for Excellent Arrest** -This award is issued to law enforcement officers who make a notable arrest of a dangerous felon.
4. ***General Commendation** - This award is issued to law enforcement officers whose actions deserve to be commended for an outstanding act during the performance of their duties.
5. ***Criminal Investigation Award** – This award is issued in recognition of detectives or investigators who are often not recognized for their determination in solving difficult cases.
6. ***Distinguished Police Service Award** – This award recognizes law enforcement officers for honorable service (5 years minimum) and is normally issued at retirement.
7. ***Correctional Officers Award** – This award is available for correctional officers for 5 or more years of honorable service or for actions deemed noteworthy while performing their duty.
8. ***John Edgar Hoover Memorial Award** - This award is issued to law enforcement officers who have successfully completed additional training to garner new skills in the field of criminal justice. It recognizes officers who continually seek a lifetime of education and advancement. It can also be issued to instructors or institutions that provide beneficial products or services to the law enforcement community.

CIVILIAN OR LAW ENFORCEMENT AWARDS

9. **Life Saving Award** – This award is issued to law enforcement or civilians whose actions saved the life of a fellow citizen in an emergency.
10. **Honor Award for Public Service** – This award may be issued to law enforcement officers, elected officials or citizens whose leadership skills are outstanding in reducing crime or assisting departments in volunteer activities.
11. **Knights of Justice Award** - This award is issued to the “Good Samaritan” who comes to the aid of those in need. Law enforcement officers automatically qualify as they put their life on the line every day they are on duty. Citizens involved as crime watch volunteers are also eligible.
12. **Civilian Medal of Appreciation** - This award is to thank a citizen for support of law enforcement by services or an act of valor. It can also be used to recognize private security whose actions aid local law enforcement officers.



Award recipients will receive a medal, certificate, lapel pin and uniform bar (where applicable). Please allow 30 business days for awards to be processed. If there is a special event in which awards are needed quickly, please notify the Awards Secretary at JanetC@aphf.org. For expedited mail service an additional payment will be required.

Awards



Application

All Law Enforcement nominations **MUST** be accompanied by supportive documentation and **MUST** have the recommendation of the department's Commanding Officer. Self-nominations will **NOT** be accepted. Award Application must be accompanied by the nomination fee which is based on the package(s) selected. Awards are considered based upon the documentation submitted. The Award Committee reserves the right to make the final determination on what award is issued. Please allow up to 30 business days to process.

1. Check Award requested:

<input type="checkbox"/> Silver Star for Bravery	<input type="checkbox"/> Law Enforcement Purple Heart	<input type="checkbox"/> Life Saving Award
<input type="checkbox"/> Merit Award for Excellent Arrest	<input type="checkbox"/> General Commendation	<input type="checkbox"/> Honor Award for Public Service
<input type="checkbox"/> Criminal Investigation Award	<input type="checkbox"/> Distinguished Police Service Award	<input type="checkbox"/> Correctional Officers Award
<input type="checkbox"/> John Edgar Hoover Memorial Award	<input type="checkbox"/> Knights of Justice Award	<input type="checkbox"/> Civilian Medal of Appreciation

2. Select Package:

<input type="checkbox"/> Standard Package (\$45)
<input type="checkbox"/> Premium Package (\$65)
<input type="checkbox"/> Silver Star Package (\$85)*
* Only Available for Silver Star Recipients

Please print or type

1. Name of Nominee _____ Rank _____

2. Address _____

3. City _____ State _____ Zip _____

5. Department _____

6. Name and address where award should be mailed:

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

7. Describe the circumstances that led to this nomination (Copy of police report and/or newspaper article required)

Sponsor Information

Rank _____ Name _____

Department _____ Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Date _____ Telephone No. _____ Email _____

OATH: I certify that this nomination is true and correct. I understand that falsifying information invalidates any award issued. The processing fee has no bearing on the award granted and is made to cover the costs of the materials and shipping. Fee and documentation must accompany application.

Make check payable to APHF

METHOD OF PAYMENT		NO C.O.D.'S please	
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Sponsor's Signature _____

Commanding Officer's Signature _____

(Required for ALL law enforcement nominations)

Return to: Awards Committee
American Police Hall of Fame

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