



VIRGINIA BEACH
CRIME PREVENTION STEERING COMMITTEE
P.O. Box 2435 Virginia Beach, VA 23450

July 14, 2011

Dear Virginia Beach Resident,

The Virginia Beach Crime Prevention Steering Committee was established in 1977 to act as an advocate for community participation in crime prevention as well as to support and advise the Virginia Beach Police Department with community concerns regarding crime.

Each year the Steering Committee has honored individuals, community organizations and businesses that exemplified the values and mission of the Virginia Beach Crime Prevention Steering Committee. We are seeking nominations for this year's awards. The deadline for nominations is Friday, September 23, 2011 at 5 PM. The awards will be presented to recipients during a luncheon which will be held on Wednesday, October 12, 2011.

Attached is a nomination form for nominees in six categories. The categories are: Private Industry Award, Community Organization Award, Citizen Award, Youth Award, Law Enforcement Award and Volunteer Award. Each category is uniquely different; however, each nominee should possess a personal or organizational commitment to crime prevention that exemplifies and exceeds that of the average citizen or organization. The following are criteria for the nominations:

Private Industry Award - Presented to a local business that has advanced crime prevention within the business community or within the community at-large. The nominee must be a for-profit business operating in Virginia Beach. The activities must have occurred during the past twelve months.

Community Organization Award - Presented to a not-for-profit community organization that has actively promoted, developed and participated in crime prevention activities that have enhanced the quality of life in their community. The activities must have occurred during the past twelve months.

Citizen Award - Presented to a resident of Virginia Beach, who has demonstrated a passion for making a difference in the community using crime prevention initiatives and activities. The activities must have occurred during the past twelve months.

Youth Award - Presented to a youth, between 13 and 18, who has participated in crime prevention activities and programs, which have positively impacted the lives of others in Virginia Beach. The activities must have occurred during the past twelve months.

Law Enforcement Award - Presented to a law enforcement official who has engaged in exceptional work while in the performance of their assigned duties. Their work must have taken place in Virginia Beach. Recipients may be a sworn law enforcement official from a local, state or federal agency. The activities must have occurred during the past twelve months.

Volunteer Award - Presented to a citizen who volunteers with the Virginia Beach Police Department and has participated in and/or promoted crime prevention activities and programs which have positively impacted the Virginia Beach community. The activities must have occurred during the past twelve months.

We believe, by recognizing others for their achievements, we can further advance the goals of the crime prevention steering committee in making the community safer. Your participation in this process would be greatly appreciated. Please contact MPO Jim McElligott at 385-1330, jmcellig@vbgov.com or e-mail our Awards Committee Chairperson Brenda Riggs at brendacriggs@cox.net if you have any questions or concerns.

Please return the nomination form, by mail, in the self addressed stamped envelope, or download the form on your computer and email it back to MPO Jim McElligott at jmcellig@vbgov.com. If you chose to mail the nomination and did not receive a self addressed envelope, please mail the form to Virginia Beach Police Department, Crime Prevention Unit, 2509 Princess Anne Road, Virginia Beach, VA, 23456, ATTN: MPO J.M. McElligott. The nomination forms must be received by 5 PM on September 23, 2011.

It is through collaboration and cooperation that we can make a difference in our community. Also, please consider this letter a personal invitation to join our committee.

Sincerely,

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Chairperson
Virginia Beach Crime Prevention Steering Committee