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## **2019 Virginia Law Enforcement Challenge Awards Announced** **For Best Traffic Safety Programs in Virginia in 2018**

The Virginia Association of Chiefs of Police (VACP) is pleased to announce the recipients of the 2019 Virginia Law Enforcement Challenge awards for the best traffic safety programs in the state in 2018. **The awards luncheon will take place during the VACP's 94th Annual Training Conference on Tuesday, August 27 at the Hilton Norfolk THE MAIN in Norfolk, VA.**

Celebrating its thirtieth year in Virginia, the Law Enforcement Challenge program promotes professionalism in traffic safety enforcement and encourages agencies to share best practices and programs with each other. The awards are based on entries prepared by the participating agencies that highlight their traffic safety education and enforcement activities in occupant protection, impaired driving and speed over the past calendar year. Judges award points to the agencies in the six areas that comprise a comprehensive traffic safety program: problem identification, policies, planning, training of officers, public information and education, enforcement, and an evaluation of the outcomes of the agency's efforts.



The Virginia agencies listed below will be presented with their first, second and third place state awards in each category at the awards luncheon, as well as special awards for outstanding enforcement and education efforts in the areas of occupant protection, impaired driving, speed awareness, commercial motor vehicle safety, distracted driving, technology, bicycle/pedestrian safety, and motorcycle safety (to be announced).

Additionally, the VACP will present an award for the most outstanding traffic safety program in Virginia in 2018, regardless of agency size or type — the "Commonwealth Award".

The Virginia Law Enforcement Challenge Awards program is supported by a grant from the Virginia Highway Safety Office. Additional information about the Law Enforcement Challenge program can be found online at <http://www.smartsafeandsober.org/programs/LEC>.

The Virginia Association of Chiefs of Police & Foundation is a statewide organization of federal, state and local police chiefs and law enforcement executives dedicated to improving the professionalism of police agencies in Virginia. The Association was founded in 1926 and has more than 600 members. For more information, visit <http://www.vachiefs.org>.

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The winners of the 2019 Virginia Law Enforcement Challenge are as follows:

<b>MUNICIPAL POLICE</b>	
<b>Municipal 1: 1-25 Officers</b>	<b>Place</b>
Ashland Police Department	1
Bedford Police Department	2
<b>Municipal 2: 26-60 Officers</b>	<b>Place</b>
Herndon Police Department	1
Culpeper Police Department	2
Colonial Heights Police Department	3
<b>Municipal 3: 61-125 Officers</b>	<b>Place</b>
Harrisonburg Police Department	1
James City County Police Department	2
<b>Municipal 4: 126-300 Officers</b>	<b>Place</b>
Roanoke Police Department	1
Roanoke County Police Department	2
Albemarle County Police Department	3
<b>Municipal 5: 301-600 Officers</b>	<b>Place</b>
Arlington County Police Department	1
Alexandria Police Department	2
Chesapeake Police Department	3
<b>Municipal 6: 601 or More Officers</b>	<b>Place</b>
Henrico County Police Division	1 (tie)
Virginia Beach Police Department	1 (tie)
Fairfax County Police Department	2
Richmond Police Department	3
<b>SHERIFF'S OFFICES</b>	
<b>Sheriff 1: 1-50 Deputies</b>	<b>Place</b>
Westmoreland County Sheriff's Office	1
New Kent County Sheriff's Office	2
<b>Sheriff 2: 51-150 Deputies</b>	<b>Place</b>
Montgomery County Sheriff's Office	1
Fauquier County Sheriff's Office	2
Gloucester County Sheriff's Office	3
<b>Sheriff 3: 151 or More Deputies</b>	<b>Place</b>
Hanover County Sheriff's Office	1
Stafford County Sheriff's Office	2

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<b>UNIVERSITY POLICE</b>		<b>Place</b>
Virginia Commonwealth University Police Department		1

<b>MILITARY POLICE</b>		<b>Place</b>
Fort Eustis Police Department		1

<b>SPECIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT</b>		<b>Place</b>
Metro Washington Airports Authority Police Department		1

<b>SPECIAL AWARDS</b>	
Occupant Protection Award	TO BE ANNOUNCED
Impaired Driving Award	
Speed Awareness Award	
Bicycle/Pedestrian Safety Award	
Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety Award	
Distracted Driving Award	
Motorcycle Safety Award	
Technology Award	
Traffic Incident Management	
Underage Alcohol Awareness Award	
“Commonwealth Award” for Best Overall Traffic Safety Program in Virginia	