

GENERAL SERVICES

Thanks to Public Safety

General Services recognizes top performers.



From left: Officer Kim Bendimez, who was recognized for the most felony arrests, with Lt. Payan, who presented the certificate.



From left: Officer Victor Carrasco, awardee, with Lt. Lucas, who presented the award.



From left: Receipt of Commendations of Appreciation: Officer Victor Carrasco; presenter Chief Newton; and Officer Miguel Maria.



From left: Officer Michael Hwang took three recognitions – Most Impounds, Most Field Release Custody and most Misdemeanor Arrests, with Lt. Beutell, who presented the awards.



From left: Officer Steven Wyno, who received recognition for felony arrests, with Lt. Lucas, who presented the award.



From left: Chief Newton; Officer Alejandro Diaz Valle in receipt of his Commendation of Appreciation.



Photos by Robert Larios, Club Director of Operations

General Services dedicated a meeting to recognizing its officers with the highest track record over the course of the year.

The meeting was held May 11 at the Grace E. Simons Lodge in Elysian Park.

The top performers and awardees were as follows:

- The Councilmember Greig Smith Award, presented by Lt. Mayorga, went to Veronica Sanchez and Alejandro Diaz Valle.

Investigative Reports, presented by Lt. Payan:

- Garrett Stults, top achiever
- John Wynott
- Spencer Chow
- Lev Shaibi

Parking Cites, presented by Lt. Payan:

- Rodrick Soriano, top achiever
- Kenneth Yha
- George Ebroyan

Impounds, presented by Lt. Lucas:

- Michael Hwang, top achiever
- Ignacio Ruiz
- Ed Maxian
- John Wynott
- Paul Hernandez

Personal Service Citations, presented by Lt. Lucas:

- Victor Carrasco, top achiever
- Garret Stults
- Reynaldo Masangkay

Release Field Custody, presented by Lt. Beutell:

- Michael Hwang, top achiever
- Victor Carrasco
- Daniel Diaz

Misdemeanor Arrests, presented by Lt. Beutell:

- Michael Hwang, top achiever
- Steven Wyno
- Jason Marquez

Dangerous Weapons, presented by Lt. Ingal:

- Steven Wyno, top achiever
- Alejandro Diaz Valle
- Jason Marquez
- Veronica Sanchez

Felony Arrests, presented by Lt. Ingal:

- Kim Bendimez, top achiever
- Justin Tombar
- Jason Marquez
- Steven Wyno

Commendations, presented by Chief Newton and Capt. Montgomery:

- Victor Carrasco, Class "C" Commendation of Appreciation
- Miguel Maria, Class "C" Commendation of Appreciation
- Veronica Sanchez, Class "C" Commendation of Appreciation
- Alejandro Diaz Valle, Class "C" Commendation of Appreciation
- David Bomer, Class "C" Commendation of Appreciation

Medals, presented by Chief Newton and Capt. Musquiz:

- Sgt. Joseph Tafoya, Class "A" Commendation, Lifesaving Award
- Manuel Elorriaga, Class "A" Commendation, Lifesaving Award
- Felipe Graciano, Class "A" Commendation, Lifesaving Award
- Joseph Orlanes, Class "A" Commendation, Lifesaving Award
- Gilardo Vizcarra, Class "A" Commendation, Lifesaving Award
- Ronald Armstrong, Class "A" Commendation, Lifesaving Award
- Isaac Burciaga, Class "A" Commendation, Lifesaving Award
- Alejandro Diaz Valle, Class "A" Commendation, Lifesaving Award
- Louis Ortega, Class "A" Commendation, Lifesaving Award
- Francisco Sarabia, Class "A" Commendation, Lifesaving Award

Congratulations to all those commended, and to all in the Office of Public Safety for keeping us safe in the City!

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Chief Newton places a Lifesaving Medal on 10 officers, including Officer Francisco Sarabia.



From left: Don Taylor, Sr. Lead Officer, 23 years of service and Officer John Keers, 20 years of service.



From left: Javier Barragan, Sr. Lead Officer, 8 years of City service; and Robert Payan, Lieutenant, 23 years of service.



Officer Molden, Public Safety Officer and photographer.



John Hisserich, Council Member Paul Krekorian's Office.



Kevin Regan, Assistant General Manager, Rec and Parks.



From left: Lydia Marquez, Sr. Clerk Typist, 15 years of City service; and Enriqueta Albidrez, Clerk Typist, 5 years of service.



From left: Chief Newton; Carmen Trutanich, City Attorney; Tony Royster, General Manager; and Capt. Musquiz.



From left: Capt. Kevin Montgomery, Officer Francisco Sarabia, Sr. Lead Officer Joseph Orlanes, Sr. Lead Officer Manuel Elorriaga, Sr. Lead Officer Phil Graciano, Chief Gary Newton, Officer Isaac Burciaga, Officer Alejandro Diaz Valle, Sr. Lead Officer Gil Vizcarra, Officer Luis Ortega, Sgt. Joseph Tafoya, and Capt. Richard Musquiz.