

AIRPORTS/LAFD

Thanks for Saving Lives

Fire Dept. honors 20 Airport Police Officers for using defibrillators to save lives. Many of the honorees are Club Members.

Story and photo courtesy Sgt. Karla I. Ortiz, Airport Police

The LAFD proudly hosted the 2013 Public Access Defibrillator (PAD) Program Awards Ceremony, where 20 LAX and LA/Ontario Airport Officers were recognized for saving lives by responding and helping cardiac arrest victims by using one of the City's PAD Program defibrillators. The award ceremony was held Feb. 28 at the LAFD's Frank Hotchkiss Memorial Training Center.

The citywide PAD program was created to increase the survival rate from sudden cardiac arrest. Initially the program was restricted for use by medical doctors or highly trained fire department paramedics only. However, the Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) were created so trained law enforcement officers and others have the necessary equipment to save lives.

In attendance with Deputy Executive Director Arif Alikhan

and Airport Police Chief Patrick M. Gannon were Asst. Chief Ethel McGuire, Asst. Chief Michael T. Hyams and Lt. Robert Rios. Chief Gannon said, "I am proud of the efforts of the Airport Police and Security Officers in each of these incidents. Their quick action and their willingness to use these defibrillators saved lives and demonstrated their commitment to keep the traveling public safe."

Congratulations!
Certificates of appreciation and recognition were presented to the following officers for their acts of bravery and ultimate demonstration of public service:

Airport Police, LAX

- Officer George Chen, Club Member
- Officer Nicholas Fasheh, Club Member
- Officer Clayton Kadekawa, Club Member
- Officer William Lara, Club Member
- Officer Dana Ramsey
- Officer Daniel Morales, Club Member
- Officer Steven Balandran, Club Member
- Officer Christopher Unruh, Club Member
- Officer Erica Andrade, Club Member
- Officer Whilliam Hsu, Club Member
- Officer Robert Mosquera, Club Member
- Officer Thi Tran, Club Member
- Officer Gerard Kilayko, Club Member
- Officer Hans Bergmann, Club Member
- Airport Security Officer Polk Sherman Johnson, Club Member.

Airport Police, LA/Ontario

- Capt. Wendell Callaway, Club Member
- Officer Erick Geihm, Club Member
- Officer Gregory Giacomini, Club Member
- Officer Robert Lecours, Club Member
- Officer Matthew Patrick, Club Member.



LEFT: Some of the members of the Airport Police team who were honored for their life-saving actions.

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Waterfront Website

Harbor Website lists fun activities at the Port of LA waterfront.

A new Website dedicated to the activities and attractions along the LA Waterfront has been launched by the Harbor to help visitors and residents become better acquainted with the growing variety of things to do in and around the LA Harbor.

The site, www.lawaterfront.org, features the LA Waterfront's dining, shopping, historical landmarks, museums and the experience at the doorstep of America's largest trade gateway.

"The LA Waterfront is a great place to play, dine, shop and explore," said Port Sr. Communications Director Arley Baker. "This site provides a wealth of information and will help both locals and tourists stay informed and plan their upcoming visit to the area."

The Website includes an interactive map of attractions, a calendar of events, the latest LA Waterfront news, information on upcoming LA Waterfront projects and more. There's also links to other visitor resources in San



Pedro and Wilmington.

For more information, including the latest news, event announcements, and updates on projects along the LA Waterfront, "like" the LA Waterfront on Facebook and follow @TheLAWaterfront on Twitter.