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## Public Safety Partnership Award

### 221.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The Public Safety Partnership Award provides a collaborative opportunity for the Irvine Police Department and Irvine Rotary Club to formally honor and recognize an individual who has distinguished him/herself by taking exemplary action to save a life, render aid, provide comfort to a victim or assist a member of the Irvine Police Department in a significant manner or circumstance. This program encourages each department employee to identify and acknowledge a member of the community, business employee or visitor who has, through deliberate action, performed a public service that exceeds the standard expectation of civilian involvement.

The procedure below identifies the process and general criteria used to recognize an individual. The decision to present a Public Safety Partnership Award rests solely with the Irvine Police Department.

### 221.2 PROCEDURE

The Public Safety Partnership Award is presented periodically by the Irvine Police Department and Irvine Rotary Club. The action of a potential recipient may be directly witnessed by a Department employee or circumstantially discovered. Examples of exemplary action include, but are not limited to the following:

- (a) Providing direct assistance at a vehicle collision scene or compromised structure in a manner that prevents further injury, or further significant damage that may lead to loss of life; or performing lifesaving measures.
- (b) Administering first aid or comfort to an injured, ill, choking victim or to a wandering person.
- (c) Taking unsolicited, timely and deliberate action to locate or identify a suspect, victim or witness who may not have been identified without the individual's involvement.
- (d) Provide significant assistance or render critical aid to a member of the Irvine Police Department.
- (e) Reporting a significant public safety incident and/or providing key information leading to the resolution of a criminal event.
- (f) Exhibiting exceptional courage and bravery without regard to personal safety or risk when faced with a dangerous or significant situation or incident.

**Department Employee Involvement:** Employees of the Irvine Police Department are encouraged to notify their supervisor of an exemplary action taken by a civilian. If deemed worthy, the employee may be asked to prepare a brief written summary of the event. It is permissible to identify more than one deserving individual from a single event.