AWARDS AND ACCOLADES

The Broward Sheriff's Office is proud to be recognized as one of the nation's premier public safety organizations. Our dedicated men and women have received numerous awards and accolades in recent years. This acknowledgment stands as evidence of the professionalism and steadfast commitment to excellence in service.

AVIATION UNIT CONTINUES TO SOAR

The BSO Aviation Unit won the 2022 International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) Leadership in Police Aviation Award. The honor recognizes public safety individuals and agencies that exemplify excellence in airborne law enforcement. The award is another feather in the team's cap, which also won two awards for their use of tactical airborne forward-looking infrared (FLIR) cameras to aid in the success of their missions.

GANG UNIT NABS TOP HONORS

The Broward Sheriff's Office Gang Investigations Task Force received top honors in 2022 from the Florida Gang Investigators Association as the Gang Unit of the Year. The team of six detectives, four federal agents and two supervisors achieved outstanding results in suppressing and preventing criminal gang activity.

COMMUNITY POLICING AT ITS BEST

In 2021, BSO's Neighborhood Support Team was recognized as the Outstanding Crime Prevention Unit of the Year by the Florida Crime Prevention Association. The community initiatives launched by this exceptional team have helped at-risk youth, supported life skills and job training, and assisted our most vulnerable residents.

BSO SWAT RECEIVES FBI'S HIGHEST HONORS

In 2022, the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) presented BSO SWAT operators with one of its highest honors: The FBI Shield of Bravery. The award is rarely issued and bestowed only for acts of exceptional heroism, well above the call of duty.

TELLY AWARDS

The Community Affairs Division and Public Information Office brought home three Telly Awards in 2023 for public safety messaging. The awards honor excellence in non-broadcast television and video.

COMMITTED TO TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY

In 2023, BSO Sergeant Eric Girado was recognized as the Investigator of the Year by the Florida Internal Affairs Investigators Association. The recognition is a strong endorsement of our commitment to responsible, transparent policing of ourselves.

MEDICAL DIRECTOR RECOGNIZED FOR EXCELLENCE

In 2023, Dr. James Roach received the State Medical Director of the Year Award from the Florida Department of Health. The Raymond H. Alexander - EMS Medical Director Award is a prestigious honor and testament to Dr. Roach's outstanding contributions to BSO's emergency medical services.

FIRE RESCUE WINS COMPETITIONS

The BSO Department of Fire Rescue and Emergency Services Advanced Life Support (ALS) Team is standing out in the industry, placing first in two major ALS competitions: the Fire Rescue East ALS Competition and ClinCon. The contests place the team in multiple scenarios to test their medical and protocol knowledge, skills, critical thinking and decision-making abilities. These victories highlight the team's commitment to being the very best in EMS response.

FIRE OFFICERS AND FIREFIGHTER OF THE YEAR

The Department of Fire Rescue and Emergency Services Assistant Chief Fadil Ameerally, Lieutenant Giovanny Medina and Firefighter/Paramedic Dayana Espinal were honored with prestigious awards by the Fire Chiefs Association of Broward County. Assistant Chief Ameerally was recognized as the Fire Chief Officer of the Year for his exceptional leadership during the fatal BSO helicopter crash that resulted in the death of Battalion Chief Terryson Jackson and his role in organizing Chief Jackson's line of duty funeral. Lieutenant Giovanny Medina and Firefighter/Paramedic Dayana Espinal received Fire Officer of the Year and Firefighter of the Year, respectively, for their bravery, teamwork and quick response to a commercial structure fire within the City of West Park.

It is an honor to be recognized by our peers across the public safety field. These awards and accolades validate our success and motivate us to achieve higher levels of performance and accomplishment.

- Sheriff Dr. Gregory Tony

SERVICE EQUALS REWARD