

# Medal Day Awards

## Unit Citation

Award issued to a unit for their exemplary performance during operation at an emergency incident.

## Lifesaving Award

Award issued in recognition of acts taken in a life-threatening situation in which a victim's life is in jeopardy. This award may also be given for a very complex rescue with the patient's survival.

## Meritorious Service Award

Award issued in recognition of acts, while on or off duty, involving personal risk and/or demonstration of judgement, zeal or ingenuity not normally involved in the performance of duties. This award is open to uniform and non-uniform personnel.

## Chief's Commendation Award

Award issued to recognize an individual or group of individuals for actions taken on or off duty that reflect positively on the member (s), the Department, and the County representing the core values and highest traditions of the Department.

## Silver Medal of Valor

The second highest award for bravery and heroism. Awarded in situations which an employee knowingly places themselves in great personal risk during an emergency incident.

## Gold Medal of Valor

The highest award for bravery and heroism. Awarded in situations where the employee knowingly places their life in risk of death or extreme serious bodily harm while saving or attempting to save the lives of others.

# Prince William County Fire and Rescue System

## *10th Annual Medal Day Ceremony*



Saturday, March 21, 2026

Grace Life Community Church  
9560 Linton Hall Road  
Bristow, VA 20136

## Unit Citation Award Recipients

Battalion Chief Daniel McCleese	Technician II Michael Cox	Technician I Nicholas Hoffmaster
Captain Kevin Richards	Technician II Joseph Gallagher	Technician I Kevin Knesley
Captain Dustin Schultz	Technician II Kenneth Guiles	Technician I Thomas Mackow
Captain Zachary Sites	Technician II Timothy Heard	Technician I Charlie McCoy
Lieutenant Michael Deatley	Technician II Joshua Herron	Technician I Alan Means
Lieutenant Robert Dimmel	Technician II Ryan Johnson	Ontivero Campo
Lieutenant Lonnie Fugate	Technician II Jeremiah Kerlin	Technician I George Neiser
Lieutenant Nicholas Hendon	Technician II Dale Mincks Jr.	Technician I John Peddle
Lieutenant Casey Hennessey	Technician II Carl Nunziata	Technician I Christopher Peters
Lieutenant Keith Kraus	Technician II Brian Pelletier	Technician I Ryan Sinclair
Lieutenant Michael Mishler	Technician II Alexander Pion	Technician I Joshua Van Wyk
Lieutenant Zachary Ramey	Technician II Chet Prailey	Technician I Nicholas Vargas-Silva
Lieutenant Mark Waldrop	Technician II Thomas Sedell	Carlos Aguilera, DCVFD
Technician II Ryon Blehr	Technician II Michael Shaw	Makayla Costanzo, DCVFD
Technician II Lea Brady	Technician II Amanda Sheil	David Edwards, DCVFD
Technician II Zachary Burnette	Technician II Neil Shoults	Farrah Elam, DCVFD
Technician II Stefon Comacho	Technician II Joseph Tate	Lindsey Jennings, DCVFD
Technician II Jonathan Carter	Technician II Jennifer Taylor	Robert Kumpe, DCVFD
Technician II Bobby Cook	Technician II Eric Weaver	Samuel Porter Jr, DCVFD
Technician II William Cornwell	Technician I Richard Blair	Rodrigo Salas Hidalgo, DCVFD
Technician II Casey Coulter	Technician I Jared Estes	Jayla Williams, DCVFD
		Jabin Young, DCVFD

## Lifesaving Award Recipients

Captain Tyler Diettert	Technician II Michael Lamb
Captain John Gillis	Technician II Brianne McCluskey
Captain Bryan Janda	Technician II Clive Monnity
Captain Joseph Melvin	Technician II Geoffrey Prall
Lieutenant Robert Ardaiole	Technician II Randy Williams
Lieutenant James Bourque	Technician I Stuart Anderson
Lieutenant Austin Davis	Technician I Michael Casey
Lieutenant Luke Deatley	Technician I Tye Clinton
Lieutenant Robert Howard	Technician I Adrienne Kelly
Lieutenant Zachary Ramey	Technician I Kevin Knesley
Lieutenant Paul Taylor	Technician I Cole Ladue
Lieutenant Gregory Thomas	Technician I Nolan Murphy
Technician II Shawn Bliss	Technician I Elijah Settle
Technician II Zachary Burnette	Technician I Joshua Van Wyk
Technician II Joseph Galvin	Technician I Benjamin Young
Technician II Ethan Kim	

## Meritorious Service Award Recipients

Battalion Chief Robert Moreau	Technician II Jeremy Lonas
Captain Barbara Cafini	Technician II James McCue
Captain Mike Darabond	Technician II Neftali Mena
Captain Brian Reader	Technician II James Spengler
Lieutenant Joshua Dempsey	Technician II Matthew Truslow
Lieutenant Nick Feliciano	Technician II Eric Weaver
Lieutenant Jonathon Hartmann	Technician I Isaac Brooks
Lieutenant Helton Pereira	Technician I Hunter Edwards
Lieutenant Jeremy Reed	Technician I Evan Hamilton
Lieutenant Ross Shannon	Technician I Michael Woods
Technician II Jason Guimond	Brian Misner, EM Coordinator
Technician II Bailey Heider	Taylor Jones, Assistant EM Coordinator
Technician II Gregory Klatte	Firefighter Steve Hailey, DTVFD

## Technicians of the Year

Technician II Emily Baden  
Technician II Gregory Klatte

## Officer of the Year

Captain David Wesley  
Lieutenant Robert Dimmel

## Chiefs Commendation Award

Battalion Chief Jason Reese	Jessica Masten, Occupational Health
Battalion Chief Robert Wyks	Hunter Zuccarell, Occupational Health
Captain Nakia Baskerville	Rebecca Kaltman M.D., Saville Cancer Center
Captain Joseph Hopper	Abby Lamb, Saville Cancer Center
Captain Samuel Kaye	Liz Stark, Saville Cancer Center
Lieutenant John Malley	Becky Trupp, Saville Cancer Center
Technician II Rafael Miera Martinez	Bryan Bassig, Saville Cancer Center
Jennifer Lund, Occupational Health	Salman Baig, Saville Cancer Center
Enzo Ochoa, Occupational Health	

## Bronze Medal Of Valor Award

Lieutenant Joshua Dempsey	Technician II Daniel Yowell
Lieutenant Ross Shannon	Technician I Connor Armstrong
Technician II Aldo Bonilla	Technician I Tyler Bane

## Silver Medal Of Valor Award

Technician II Francis Nurthen IV  
Technician I Tyler Bane