The Trauma Survivors Foundation's Public Safety Award was initiated by the Board of Directors in order to provide an opportunity for the men and women of Delaware, Pennsylvania, Maryland, and New Jersey's public safety community to be recognized for outstanding service to the citizens of these areas. The Trauma Survivors Foundation's Public Safety Award recognizes (1) those emergency services personnel who have gone "above and beyond the call of duty" to protect the lives and property of the citizens of Delaware, Pennsylvania, Maryland, and New Jersey and (2) those who have made significant contributions to their profession through community outreach, training, or charitable contributions. The Trauma Survivors Foundation's Public Safety Award will be bestowed upon a member of law enforcement, fire service, emergency medical services, and mental health services.

# **Eligibility**

To be nominated for The Trauma Survivors Foundation's Public Safety Award:

- The Nominee must be an employee or an official volunteer of a public safety organization
- The Nominee must have engaged in "above and beyond the call of duty" activity in one or both of the Award Categories.
- The Nomination can be made by an individual, agency, association, or citizen, and must be submitted via the nomination form on the website at www.TheTraumaSurvivorsFoundation.com
- The Nominee shall be free of any pending disciplinary actions.

# **Award Categories**

Two categories of awards will be established: The first will recognize Acts of Heroism or Outstanding Deeds which resulted in the protection of life and/or property. When submitting a nomination via the website a letter of support from the agency head, state wide association or state wide board should be faxed to (302) 489-0223 ATTN: Award Committee with the supporting documents of the nomination. If one cannot be provided then the nomination cannot be accepted!

The second category recognizes Contribution to Profession or Outstanding Job Performance which serves to enhance the public safety profession. Anyone nominated for this award should have a minimum of 10 years of service and be someone who has made a significant contribution to the betterment of their profession. When submitting a nomination via the website a letter of support from the agency head, state wide association or state wide board should be faxed to (302) 489-0223 ATTN: Award Committee with the supporting documents of the nomination. If one cannot be provided then the nomination cannot be accepted!

These categories are not intended to recognize employees for merely "doing a good job", or responding to a call, but to recognize employees who actually go beyond the ordinary to protect Delaware's citizens and property, or who contribute significantly to the public safety profession.

### Selection

Recipients may be selected from each of the following public safety groups:

- Emergency Management
- Municipal & County Police
- County Law Enforcement
- Fire Service
- 911/Communications
- Emergency Medical Service
- State Public Safety Agencies
- Public Safety Divisions within State Agencies
- Mental Health Services

Selection of individual recipients from each group will be the responsibility of The Trauma Survivors Foundation's Public Safety Award Committee. Selections will be forwarded to the Trauma Survivors Foundation's CEO's Office for final approval. The CEO will be the final selection authority.

#### Nomination Format/Documentation Criteria

The Trauma Survivors Foundation's Public Safety Award Committee will provide information describing the nomination format and documentation criteria to public safety associations for dissemination to their respective constituents. Nomination form and criteria will also be posted on The Trauma Survivors Foundation's website.

### Alyse Alvini Public Safety Awards

This award recognizes First Responders who significantly impacted a Trauma Survivors life through heroic acts.

The award was named after Alyse Alvini who survived a nearly life threatening motor vehicle crash. Alyse's story is as follows.... On Saturday, October 11, 2014, at 1:06 am Mill Creek fire company was dispatched in a motor vehicle crash with entrapment located on Linden Hill Road and South Riding Boulevard in Pike Creek. Due to the violent nature of the crash, the emergency crews were faced with an urgent extrication emergency. In the mangled vehicle, severely injured and barely conscious, was a 24-year-old woman who was left injured and alone by a driver who fled the accident scene. The emergency crews worked quickly, efficiently, and safely to free the young woman from the confines of the vehicle and onto an awaiting ambulance where she was transported to Christiana Hospital. Through their professionalism and due diligence, the emergency crew saved the young woman's life. As reported in the hospital, she was only minutes away from death.

Quite often emergency crews never know the end results of an accident nor do they ever see the survivors after the initial encounter. The Alyse Alvini Personal Hero Award changes that course of action and allows closure for both the survivor and the First Responder.

Recipients may be selected from each of the following public safety groups:

- Emergency Management
- Municipal & County Police
- County Law Enforcement
- Fire Service
- 911/Communications
- Emergency Medical Service
- State Public Safety Agencies
- Public Safety Divisions within State Agencies
- Mental Health Services

Selection of individual recipients from each group will be the responsibility of The Alyse Alvini Personal Hero Award's Committee. Selections will be forwarded to the Trauma Survivors Foundation's CEO's Office for final approval. The CEO will be the final selection authority.

To be nominated for The Alyse Alvini Personal Hero Award:

- The Nominee must be an employee or an official volunteer of a public safety organization
- The Nominee must have engaged in "above and beyond the call of duty" activity which has significantly impacted a Trauma Survivors life through heroic acts
- The Nomination can be made by an individual, family, or citizen, and must be submitted via the nomination form on the website at www.TheTraumaSurvivorsFoundation.com
- The Nominee shall be free of any pending disciplinary actions.

The Alyse Alvini Personal Hero Award's Committee will provide information describing the nomination format and documentation criteria to public safety associations for dissemination to their respective constituents. Nomination form and criteria will also be posted on The Trauma Survivors Foundation's website.

Nominations can be submitted for the Alyse Alvini Personal Hero Award through the website, via fax (302) 489-0223, or via email at <a href="https://example.com/Hero@TheTraumaSurvivorsFoundation.com">Hero@TheTraumaSurvivorsFoundation.com</a>. When submitting a nomination, you must include the following:

- 1. Name, address, phone number, email, and agency information of Nominee
- 2. Name, address, phone number, and email of Survivor
- 3. Date and Time of incident
- 4. Summary of the events
- 5. Personal statement of the reason for the nomination