On Thursday, September 8, 2016, Los Angeles Police Department Chief Charlie Beck presented the Department's highest honors to 57 recipients at the “Above & Beyond” Medal of Valor, Purple Heart and Preservation of Life Awards Ceremony. Journalist and Dateline Correspondent, Josh Mankiewicz emceed the event and vividly narrated this year's stories of heroism.

A new award, “The Preservation of Life,” was presented to police officers employing exceptional tactics and exercising sound judgment beyond the normal demands of duty to preserve the life of another during a volatile or dangerous encounter while protecting the safety and security of the public and their fellow officers at this year’s ceremony.
Chief’s Message

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During the awards presentation, audience members heard about officers facing harrowing, deadly circumstances in the line of duty as they protect and serve. These larger-than-life encounters among many others include:

• Officers Stan Kensic and Frank Tomlinson stopped two burglary suspects in Southwest Division on April 27, 1962. The detention quickly escalated when a group of 25 men surrounded the officers and began to brutally beat and shoot them. As a result of the attack, Officer Kensic fell into a coma and was hospitalized for several months. Once recovered, Kensic returned to full duty and eventually retired as a Captain. Tomlinson underwent several surgeries to correct the damage caused from the gunshot wounds. He too returned to full duty and retired as a Detective III.

• On April 30, 1993, an LAPD officer pursued an armed robbery suspect who grabbed a 12 year-old girl, placed the barrel of a pistol to her head and drove away from the scene. Responding to the “Back-up” call, West Traffic Division Motor Officer Stephen Kehoe arrived to the location and a gun battle erupted. Making every effort to protect the young hostage, Officer Kehoe bravely stood in front of the suspect's car and in the direct line of fire of the suspect shot him in the right thigh and left shoulder. Despite his wounds, Officer Kehoe jumped back on his motorcycle and pursued the fleeing suspect. The suspect was soon taken into custody and the young girl was reunited with her family.

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• Off-duty Officer Vincent Ortiz, was driving with his family back from Disneyland on February 27, 2016, when he witnessed a horrific fiery crash. Officer Ortiz immediately pulled over and ran to the cries for help from a trapped motorist. Officer Ortiz pulled the motorist 30 feet away to safety, just moments before the involved vehicles exploded.

• The shooting that took place in small quarters on March 24, 2014, when Officers Sheila Sparkman and Josue Peña responded to a radio call of a domestic disturbance in Hollywood Division. As the suspect fired at the officers, one of the bullets shattered a large mirror, causing bullet fragments, mirrored glass, and wood from the doorframe to strike Officer Sparkman's face and eyes. Her partner, Officer Peña, pulled her from the bathroom and guided her to safety.

• The shooting of a Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) Officer Nelson Fong on August 18, 2014, when SWAT and Metropolitan K-9 Officers responded to 77th Division, to assist with the search of two suspects who opened fire on officers with an assault rifle.

“This ceremony is a timeless tribute to those individuals who have transcended the boundaries of traditional policing with selfless, indelible acts of heroism and courage. By saluting these outstanding law enforcement professionals, we are saying thank you for valiantly protecting the residents of Los Angeles.

I am honored that you could join us for this momentous occasion. I know I speak for the entire Department when I say how we appreciate these unselfish individuals who risk their own lives to go above and beyond the call of duty.”

CHARLIE BECK

ADDITIONAL:

The mission of the LAPF is to create partnerships and provide resources and programs that help the LAPD perform at their highest level and to enhance LAPD-community relations. Since its founding in 1998, the LAPF has invested more than $25 million in grants to the LAPD in the areas of equipment and technology upgrades, specialized training, community outreach, and youth programs.

For more information, please visit: www.lapolicefoundation.org.
Los Angeles Police Department’s iWATCH initiative partners with Clear Channel Outdoor Americas, USC, and The Los Angeles Rams to help increase awareness and use of the iWATCHLA App

On September 8, 2017, Los Angeles Police Department Chief Charlie Beck was joined by Los Angeles County Sheriff Jim McDonnell, representatives from the Mayor's office and business partners, including Clear Channel Outdoor Americas (CCOA), University of Southern California (USC), and the Los Angeles Rams to announce the official launch of the Department's iWATCHLA app.

The iWATCHLA app, provides citizens the ability to quickly and easily report terrorist related suspicious activity and participate in the fight against terrorism at the local level. Chief Charlie Beck and Sheriff Jim McDonnell also announced the partnership between the two departments in the use of the iWATCHLA program throughout the Los Angeles region.

The group was also joined by a number of businesses who are assisting in the roll out of the robust public awareness program which include donated advertising art, billboard space from CCOA, and donated handouts in reusable bags as part of the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum's new clear bag security policy at USC and Rams' football games. This multi-pronged approach is aimed at increasing downloads and widespread use of the application, which works best when everyone is engaged.

“The fight against terrorism is most effective when we are all on the front line. We want everyone to remember that if they see something, iWATCHLA is the way to report it. This program and the launch of the iWATCHLA app truly empowers our residents to report suspicious behavior or activity that may have a connection to terrorism quickly and easily, and ensures we are all engaged in protecting the safety of our region,” stated Chief Charlie Beck. “The effectiveness of the iWATCHLA program and app is entirely dependent on community participation and we are incredibly grateful to the generous donations from our partners, Clear Channel Outdoor Americas, USC and the Rams who will help deliver the message to the Los Angeles region that everyone should download the iWATCHLA app and, in turn, play a direct role in the safety of our region.”

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The iWATCHLA, iREPORT, i KEEP US SAFE (iWATCHLA) program was originally unveiled in October 2009 and is a 21st century version of Neighborhood Watch. iWATCHLA emphasizes the need to become educated on behaviors and activities that may have a connection to terrorism, rather than individuals. The program is a partnership between the community and the Los Angeles Police Department that encourages residents to recognize and report suspicious behaviors and activities in order to help keep our neighborhoods safe.

New designs were also unveiled for the robust public awareness campaign. The designs donated by CCOA focus on use of the app, urging residents to “prevent terrorism” by downloading and using the iWATCHLA app. The campaign will go up on billboards throughout Los Angeles over the next several months. Information on the program and the app is also bolstered by USC adding 10,000 flyers to USCs newly designed reusable clear bags, and the Rams adding the flyers to their merchandise bags when they sell Rams gear at the Coliseum.

“The fight against terrorism is best fought when we are all engaged, and Clear Channel Outdoor Americas is proud to donate our assets to strengthening the power of our communities and the safety of our neighborhoods,” said Layne Lawson, Vice President of Public Affairs for Clear Channel Outdoor Americas Southern California Division.

To report a suspicious behavior or activity or to learn more about iWATCH search and download the app in English or Spanish at iWATCHLA and iWATCHLA ESPAÑOL, visit www.iWATCHLA.org or report an incident by calling 1-877-A-THREAT (1-877-284-7328).
New partnership between LAPD, LAHSA and Sanitation Department will target encampments to proactively connect homeless residents to services while maintaining healthy and safe streets and sidewalks.

As part of the City’s continued effort to leverage every available resource to tackle homelessness, Mayor Eric Garcetti was joined by Councilmember Nury Martinez and Chief Charlie Beck to unveil a new program that helps keep streets and sidewalks healthy and safe for all Angelenos.

The Homeless Outreach and Proactive Engagement (HOPE) initiative pairs specially trained LAPD officers with outreach workers to proactively identify homeless encampments and connect residents to services in real time. Working closely with the city’s Sanitation Department, the HOPE teams will bring homeless individuals access to the resources and help they need, and ensure that neighborhood streets and sidewalks are kept clean.

LAPD Chief Charlie Beck stressed that officers have, for decades, been on the frontlines of the homelessness crisis. This program now gives specially trained officers the support that they need, and allows them to focus on tracking homelessness in the communities they serve.

“It is impossible to ignore the pervasive problem of homelessness in Los Angeles,” said Chief Beck. “The men and women of the LAPD often find themselves confronted by complex situations when they deal with Angelenos living on the street. The resources HOPE provides make those encounters more positive and productive. Furthermore, this is a shining example of a city that works through the power of collaboration.”

Launched as a pilot in the San Fernando Valley this past May, L.A.’s HOPE teams have already responded to more than 1,300 homeless encampment service requests — an average of more than 400 per month. As a result of their efforts, more than 500 tons of trash, 20,000 pounds of hazardous materials, and 1,500 sharp objects and needles have been taken off the streets.

In May, Mayor Garcetti signed his 16th Executive Directive, establishing a permanent Mayor’s Homelessness Cabinet and directing City departments to train and empower all staff to become first responders in the fight against homelessness. The Directive implements a “No Wrong Door” strategy, which asks City employees to actively help connect homeless Angelenos with housing and supportive services. The HOPE program exemplifies those efforts. The partnership includes the Office of Mayor Garcetti, the Los Angeles Police Department, the Los Angeles Bureau of Sanitation, the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority and the Office of the City Attorney.
9/11 Remembrance Ceremony

On Friday, September 9, 2016, Los Angeles Police Department, Los Angeles Fire Department, and Los Angeles City Mayor held a 9/11 Remembrance Ceremony at the Frank Hotchkin Memorial Training Center. “We will Never Forget” was the mantra. Everyone in attendance bowed their heads in memoriam to the day in which our nation was transformed. Guest speakers for this event were: Mayor Eric Garcetti, Fire Chief Ralph Terrazas (LAFD), and Chief of Police Charlie Beck (LAPD). “The past 15 years we have come together to remember, sacrifice, to affirm our mutual commitment, to our City and to each other, “said Chief Beck. Speakers were followed with a benediction by LAFD Chaplain George Negrete.
Elysian Park Grand Re-Opening

On Thursday, September 15, 2016 Los Angeles Police Department Chief Charlie Beck, Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti, and the Los Angeles Police Department Training Division celebrated the grand re-opening of the newly renovated, LAPD Elysian Park Academy. The academy site is the historic home to the Los Angeles Police Department.

The event featured a ribbon-cutting ceremony, tours of the new facilities, as well as static displays by specialized units. This unique event welcomed to its newly renovated academy past and present LAPD Command Staff, City Council Members, Police Commissioners, the Los Angeles Police Revolver and Athletic Club, as well as members of the community.

“This place has changed as of today, new buildings, new grass, new electricity, new plumbing,” said Chief Beck, “It has the same heart and will always have that heart.”
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RECENT ACTIONS BY THE POLICE COMMISSION

**August 9:**
Assistant Chief Michel Moore provided the report of the Chief of Police on behalf of Chief Beck. He reported on the success of National Night Out which he attended at Mission Area, on Tuesday, August 2, 2016.

The Los Angeles Ram’s Fan Fest was held at the Coliseum on Saturday, August 13. LAPD deployed officers for both in the interior and exterior for high visibility. This event was more challenging due to National Officer Appreciation Event which took place the same weekend.

**August 23:**
Commissioner Johnson met with Chief Beck during the past week and briefly discussed a Family Liaison program that will be implemented. The program will create a centralized point of contact for family members of individuals involved in serious categorical use of force or in custody deaths. The role of the Liaison unit is to reach out to the next of kin and provide information to family members and also be the point of contact between the Department and the District Attorney’s Office.

**September 20:**
Commissioner President Matthew Johnson thanked Commissioner Kathleen Kim on her last Police Commission meeting. She volunteered her time as Police Commissioner for the past three years.

Commissioner Johnson acknowledged Commissioner Kim’s service and contribution to Police Commission issues in regards to homelessness and dealing with the immigrant population.

Commissioner Kim thanked her fellow commissioners for their cooperation and supporting reform. She also thanked LAPD command staff, Inspector General’s office, for addressing and responding to issues and strategies. Commissioner Kim said she appreciated the opportunity for having shaped policies with respect to immigrants’ rights and appreciated the Department’s openness to her involvement with these issues.

**September 27:**
The Police Commission approved the Department’s Report, dated September 22, 2016, relative to the recommendations contained in the Office of Inspector General’s Investigation of the Department’s Metropolitan Detention Center Inmate Inspections and Safety Checks.

The Commission approved and transmitted the Department’s Report, dated September 22, 2016, to the Mayor and City Council, relative to the grant application and award for National Institute of Justice’s FY 2016 DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Program.
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# The Following Personnel Were Commended By The Community

## JULY

**COMMANDER**
- Justin Eisenberg  
- Vito Palazzolo

**LIEUTENANT II**
- Patrick Butler

**DETECTIVE III**
- Benjamin Herskowitz

**DETECTIVE II**
- Jaime Martinez  
- Ryuichi Ishitani

**DETECTIVE I**
- Barrett Halcromb  
- Timothy Schey

**SERGEANT II**
- Jeffrey Merlo  
- Neil Wank

**SERGEANT I**
- Jeff Day

**POLICE OFFICER III**
- Antonio Gutierrez  
- Candice Foster  
- Steve Rodriguez  
- Giovanni Espinoza  
- John Han  
- Ralph Barone  
- Madai Guerrero  
- Vahe Karakouzian

**POLICE OFFICER II**
- Anaid Bedevyan  
- David Navas  
- Enrique Meraz  
- Esther Kim  
- Isidro Mendoza  
- James Schwedler

## AUGUST

**COMMANDER**
- Kris Pitcher

**CAPTAIN III**
- Robert Marino

**DETECTIVE III**
- Benjamin Herskowitz

**DETECTIVE II**
- Jaime Martinez

**DETECTIVE I**
- Graig Kojima  
- Timothy Schey

**SERGEANT II**
- Arnold Samuel  
- Jeffrey Graham,  
- Jose Torres

**SERGEANT I**
- Luqman Watkins  
- Ryan Boehret

**POLICE OFFICER II**
- Alejandro Fernandez  
- Claudio Gutierrez  
- David Torres  
- Ian Carbonell  
- Jose Aguilera  
- Miguel Alcantar  
- Ko Kim  
- Ronald Harrell  
- Woodrow Wheat  
- Victor Fletes

**POLICE OFFICER I**
- Paola Leal

## SEPTEMBER

**DETECTIVE II**
- Humberto Irigoyen  
- Kenneth Hoover

**SERGEANT I**
- Juan Franco

**POLICE OFFICER III**
- Ara Hollenback  
- Harvey Freeman

**POLICE OFFICER II**
- Alex Ramirez  
- Bryan Waggener  
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