



VENTURA COUNTY SHERIFF

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Nature of Event: Ventura County Announces Recipients of the 2009 Emergency Planning Council Awards

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Unit Responsible: Ventura County Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services

Narrative:

The Ventura County Emergency Planning Council will honor ten organizations and two individuals for their contribution to emergency services in 2009 on Thursday, December 10, 2009. The presentation of awards will be held at 9:00 a.m., during the quarterly Emergency Planning Council Meeting, at the Ventura County Government Center, Hall of Justice, Pacific Conference Room, 800 South Victoria Avenue, Ventura, CA.

The following is a list of the 2009 Emergency Planning Council Award recipients:

- Best Emergency Preparedness Public Information Campaign – H1N1/Seasonal Flu – Ventura County Health Care Agency
- Best Emergency Preparedness Drill / Exercise – H1N1 Decision Making Executive Exercise – Ventura County Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services, Ventura County Health Care Agency, Ventura County Fire Department, and Ventura County Risk Management Department
- Best Emergency Preparedness Plan – Strategic National Stockpile Plan – Ventura County Public Health Department
- Best Emergency Preparedness Training – Countywide CERT Training and CERT Refresher Training – Ventura County Fire Department
- Best Emergency Implementation / Enhancement – Ventura County WebEOC – Ventura County Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services
- Best Emergency Community Program – Countywide CERT Training – Ventura County Fire Department
- Best Emergency Volunteer Program – American Red Cross of Ventura County
- Disaster Service Worker Achievement Award –
Cynthia Elliott – Ventura County Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services
Erin Edinger – Ventura County Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services

The Emergency Planning Council presents the awards annually to acknowledge the support, dedication and commitment of local organizations to disaster preparedness, response and recovery in Ventura County.

The meeting will also include a special presentation from Mark Sloan, Homeland Security and Emergency Management Coordinator, from Harris County, Texas. Mr. Sloan will be speaking about lessons learned from Hurricane Ike.

For more information on the Ventura County Emergency Planning Council or 2009 Awards Presentation, please contact the Ventura County Sheriff's Office of Emergency Services at 805-654-3655 or via email at oes.pio@ventura.org.

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