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SUFFOLK POLICE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES 2014 JOHN T. HANNA DRIVE SAFE HAMPTON ROADS AWARD

SUFFOLK, VA (November 24, 2014) The Suffolk Police Department has been honored as the recipient of the 2014 John T. Hanna Drive Safe Hampton Roads Award for Law Enforcement Initiatives. The Suffolk Police Department was recognized for their implementation of various programs during the 2013/2014 calendar year.

The Department partnered with the Suffolk Public Works Department Traffic Engineers to identify key roadways within the City limits. Members of the Suffolk Police Department have conducted and will continue to conduct various initiatives on major corridors including speed enforcement details, Click it or Ticket enforcement, traffic safety checkpoints, roving DUI patrols, and educational programs taught within high schools for DUI awareness and distracted driving courses.

The primary impetus of the Department is safety which is carried out through the enforcement of all traffic related laws with a particular focus on those laws that reduce crashes.

The Suffolk Police Department continues to be proactive in its law enforcement initiatives to include traffic initiatives and traffic safety education.

In 1991, Concerned Citizens Advocating Traffic Safety instituted the JOHN T. HANNA AWARDS. Named after Virginia's "Father of Transportation Safety" these awards honor those who share Mr. Hanna's tireless dedication and commitment to improving traffic safety on Virginia's highways. John T. Hanna remains the cornerstone of transportation safety, as we know it today. The unparalleled zeal for safety that hallmark his career is an inspiration to every parent, police officer, judge, teacher and citizen who is committed to saving lives through traffic safety.

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