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## Two Richmond Police Officers Recognized at HIGHWAY SAFETY CHAMPION Awards Ceremony

On Wednesday, June 14, 2017, at 10:00 AM, **Corporal William P. Litterio** and **Patrolman Michael C. Jacome** were recognized at an annual awards ceremony sponsored by the Rhode Island Department of Transportation which was hosted at AMICA Insurance in Lincoln, Rhode Island. Only twenty (20) police officers among several hundred in the State of Rhode Island were recognized at this ceremony for their enforcement efforts in three major priority areas of highway safety, including; occupant protection, impaired driving and speed management.

Corporal Litterio received the **Highway Safety Champion Award** in the category of *Impaired Driving Enforcement*. Despite his role as a supervisor, Corporal Litterio led the Richmond Police Department in impaired-driving arrests during 2014, 2015, and 2016. He continually exemplifies a work ethic that should be followed by other officers and constantly strives to better himself through training and education. Corporal Litterio, a certified Drug Recognition Expert (DRE), arrested sixteen (16) drunk or impaired drivers in 2014, eighteen (18) drunk or impaired drivers in 2015, and twenty-one (21) drunk or impaired drivers in 2016. Corporal Litterio is a past recipient of the HSC Award in 2011, 2012, 2015 and 2016.

Patrolman Jacome received the **Highway Safety Champion Award** in the category of *Occupant Protection (Seat Belt Enforcement)*. Patrolman Jacome is serving in his 3<sup>rd</sup> year as a member of the Richmond Police Department after successfully completing the Rhode Island Municipal Police Training Academy in December 2014. He is currently assigned to 3<sup>rd</sup> shift patrol, and consistently distinguishes himself with his proactive efforts in the areas of traffic enforcement and criminal arrests. In addition to his outstanding work ethic, Patrolman Jacome serves as our department's liaison with the Rhode Island Department of Transportation's Office on Highway Safety and as our NHTSA grant manager.

We commend them on their well-deserved recognition! Their combined efforts have undoubtedly saved lives in our community, and spared others serious injuries and trauma often associated with a motor vehicle crash.

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