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Sheriff's Office Wins 2013 Illinois Traffic Safety Challenge August 21, 2014

The McHenry County Sheriff's Office was recognized on August 20, 2014 by the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police Traffic Committee for placing first place in the Sheriff 101-250 sworn category in the Illinois Traffic Safety Challenge. This recognition occurred at the annual Illinois Traffic Safety Challenge Awards Ceremony in Tinley Park, Illinois.

The Illinois Traffic Safety Challenge, coordinated by the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police, is designed to challenge police departments to tackle traffic safety concerns in their jurisdictions in unique ways. Departments are required to document their policies and procedures, provide officer training, and take part in: traffic safety recognition programs, public information and education efforts, enforcement and crash data and review effectiveness information. After reviewing the individual departments' accomplishments, the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police recognizes the law enforcement agencies in the state that were able to demonstrate exemplary traffic safety and enforcement programs.

The McHenry County Sheriff's Office was also recognized in 2010 with a first place award in our size category. "It is due to the outstanding work of our deputies and supervisors, that we are once again recognized for first place, by receiving this coveted award," said Undersheriff Andrew Zinke. "We also share this acknowledgement with the public, those who share our roads and drive cautiously to prevent accidents and injuries," said Undersheriff Zinke.

The Illinois Department of Transportation Division of Traffic safety has also assisted the Sheriff's Office efforts through providing grant funding in occupant protection, speed enforcement and impaired driving. All the efforts put forth have one common goal: making the roadways of McHenry County safer places for our community.

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