


AGENDA ITEM
Ceremonial Item

MEMORANDUM

DATE: September 23, 2009

TO: El Dorado County Transit Authority

FROM: Mindy Jackson, Executive Director 

SUBJECT: Presentation of Safe Driving Awards to El Dorado County Transit Authority Drivers for Fiscal Year 2008/09

REQUESTED ACTION:
BY MOTION,

Presentation of certificates, pins and plaques to Transit Drivers meeting the Safe Driving Awards Program for fiscal year 2008/09

BACKGROUND

The El Dorado County Transit Authority (El Dorado Transit) is presenting twenty-nine (29) safe driving awards to Transit Drivers. These outstanding Transit Drivers met the criteria for the Safe Driving Award program: "On a yearly or 2,000 hour basis, safe driving awards are presented to eligible drivers who were not involved in on-the-job moving violations or chargeable accidents."

DISCUSSION

Exceptional driving skill is required of Transit Drivers. They consistently provide safe transport for members of the general public; seniors; persons with disabilities and students on public routes within and between the communities of the County of El Dorado; City of Placerville; Sacramento County; City of Folsom and City of Sacramento. El Dorado Transit drivers operate daily on paved, unpaved and gravel roads; state highways and the urban downtown Sacramento corridor. The Safe Driving Award program provides an opportunity to acknowledge safe driving and passenger transport.

El Dorado Transit drivers are certified and licensed to operate all fleet vehicles including mini-vans; 16-22 passenger buses and 37-45 passenger diesel-powered commuter coaches with air brakes. These professional drivers are trained on all routes and can successfully transition from commuter routes to local routes as needed. During fiscal year (FY) 2008/09 El Dorado Transit Drivers provided 449,175 passenger trips, traveled 1,138,424 miles in revenue service and clocked 50,720 in-service driving hours.

El Dorado Transit drivers do more than just drive safely. The drivers are knowledgeable, friendly and provide great customer service. The majority of comments received from the public are compliments regarding our driving staff.

El Dorado Transit management is proud of the caliber of the all Transit Drivers and recognizes the following individuals with Safe Driving Awards:

1 Year Safe Driving

Edwin Digesti
Patrick Fox
Thomas (Tom) House
Denyse Ingles
Jeffrey (Jeff) Means
Paul Minton
Sydney (Syd) O'Brien
William Varney

2 Year Safe Driving

Heather Evans
Edward (Ed) Garcia
David Nelson
Suzette (Susie) Saulter

3 Year Safe Driving

David Demaray
Bradford (Brad) Goode
James (Jim) Humphries
Michael (Mike) Nash
Marla Sisneros
Judith (Judy) Sullivan

5 Year Safe Driving

Beverly Davenport

6 Year Safe Driving

David Lawrence
Cindy Schmitt

7 Year Safe Driving

Albert French

8 Year Safe Driving

Patricia (Trish) Jones-Barber

9 Year Safe Driving

Carole Gatchet
Jayson Ravens

10 Year Safe Driving

Martin (Marty) Henry
Patricia (Pat) Hoskins

13 Year Safe Driving

Arthur (Art) Harms

17 Year Safe Driving

Linda Forni