



## **PUBLIC SERVANT AWARD CITATIONS FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS, LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL AND FIREFIGHTERS**

Each year, the Veterans of Foreign Wars selects emergency medical technicians, law enforcement and firefighter personnel to receive VFW Public Servant Awards. Post Safety Chairmen are encouraged to submit a candidate for these awards to their **Department Headquarters by Jan. 1**. The Department must select a single candidate for each of the three awards and submit those to **VFW National Headquarters by Feb. 1**.

NOTE: The only item the National VFW Programs Department requires is the “VFW Department Public Servant Award Citation Request Form” which is now available on the VFW website. You can locate this form by logging in to [vfw.org](http://vfw.org) and searching under “My VFW” in the Training & Support section.

### **VFW National Emergency Medical Technician Public Servant Citation:**

Any individual, who actively gives emergency medical treatment, provides rescue service or civil disaster assistance as a member of any public or volunteer company organized to give emergency medical care, provide rescue and civil disaster assistance to our nation’s citizens.

### **VFW National Law Enforcement Public Servant Citation:**

Any individual who serves in a municipal, county, state or federal unit tasked with enforcement of the laws pertaining to their area of responsibility. This award does not apply to individual employed by private companies or security services.

**VFW National Firefighters Public Servant Citation:** Any individual who actively fights fires as a member of any public or volunteer company organized to fight fires and give assistance to our nation’s citizens.

**Criteria for these awards** – Candidates must have demonstrated:

- 1) Recognition by their colleagues or those they serve.
- 2) Consistent excellence in the performance of their duties.
- 3) Consistent dedication to their official responsibilities over a period of years and continuous growth in responsibilities and skills within their profession.

### **Documentation required for all Candidates:**

- 1) Nomination letter containing the candidate’s name, title, address, telephone and identifying the award for which the individual should be considered.
  - a. Include justification outlining background in field, accomplishments and awards.

**Note NEW (not required)** One (1) page VFW Public Servant Award Citation Post Entry Form is now available on the VFW website. You can locate this form by logging in to [vfw.org](http://vfw.org) and searching under “My VFW” in the Training & Support section.

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