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Media Release

National Public Safety TeleCommunicator's Week April 12-18

April 12-18, 2015 is National Public Safety TeleCommunicator's Week and during this week the dedicated employees of the Harrisonburg-Rockingham Emergency Communications Center (HRECC) are recognized for their work. Public Safety Communicators are the "first", first responders, protecting the lives and property of the citizens and visitors of Harrisonburg and Rockingham County by quickly and effectively answering 9-1-1 calls and dispatching responders hundreds of time each day. During 2014 this group of employees handled over 266,000 telephone transactions and dispatched emergency services 112,260 times.

As part of this week, the HRECC will be selecting one very special employee as the 2014 Communicator of the Year. This employee is recognized for exemplary service and contribution to the public safety profession during the past year. **The awards ceremony will take place on Wednesday April 15, at 3:00 p.m. at the HRECC.** The media is invited and encouraged to attend.

Please be sure to thank and recognize this group of individuals during this important week as they play a vital role in ensuring the safety of the public and public safety providers. "They are there when you need them, and still there when you don't," said Dee Dee Sencindiver, Operations Manager of the HRECC.

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