

# ISA Seeking Candidates for 2024 DEPUTY OF THE YEAR CORRECTIONAL OFFICER OF THE YEAR TELECOMMUNICATOR OF THE YEAR

The Illinois Sheriffs' Association is seeking candidates for "Deputy of the Year", "Correctional Officer of the Year", and "Telecommunicator of the Year" for 2024. These awards are recognition of exemplary performances in all aspects of their law enforcement duties. Telecommunicators do not have to be employed by the County to be nominated.

Any full-time Deputy, Correctional Officer or Telecommunicator in the State of Illinois is eligible for consideration. You may nominate an officer who was killed in the line of duty and, if chosen, the award will be presented to a family member. Nominations are being sought and can be made by any Illinois Sheriff, in writing, to the Illinois Sheriffs' Association, **no later than MON, Oct. 28, 2024!**

Nominations should be made for exceptional achievement in any professional endeavor within the Sheriff's Office; including but not limited to:

- **EXTRAORDINARY VALOR**
- **CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS**
- **TRAFFIC SAFETY**
- **YOUTH PROGRAMS**
- **ACHIEVEMENT, INNOVATION OR CONTRIBUTION TO CRIME PREVENTION**
- **COURT SECURITY**
- **JAIL OPERATIONS**
- **DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION & CONTRAOL**

The awards will be presented at the Banquet during the **2025 Winter Training Conference Banquet on Monday, February 10th, 2025, at the President Abraham Lincoln Hotel, Springfield, Illinois.** The winners and their spouse/guest will be guests of the ISA at this banquet and one hotel room will be provided for one night.

All nominations must include a signed letter of endorsement from the Sheriff submitting the nominee (appearing on office letterhead), which includes:

- *A brief statement of specific circumstances and actions that form the basis for the nomination,*
- *A brief biographical sketch, newspaper clippings, written reports, commendation letters, citations and other evidence that will assist in the selection process.*

The ISA's Membership Committee will review and evaluate all nominations received. **If you have any questions, please call Lynn Saputo (217) 753-2372, ext. 113 or Email: [lynn@ilsheriff.org](mailto:lynn@ilsheriff.org)**



2023 Winners



Ogle County



Kankakee County



Kendall County



2024

## Award Application

**DEADLINE: MONDAY, OCT. 28, 2024**

\_\_\_ Deputy of the Year    \_\_\_ Correctional Officer of the Year

\_\_\_ Telecommunicator of the Year

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Rank: \_\_\_\_\_

Agency: \_\_\_\_\_ Years of Service \_\_\_\_\_

Award category: \_\_\_ Valor \_\_\_ Traffic safety \_\_\_ Court Security

\_\_\_ Criminal Inv. \_\_\_ Jail Operations \_\_\_ Community Relations

\_\_\_ Youth/Children Programs \_\_\_ Drug Abuse \_\_\_ Achievement,

Innovation, Contribution to Crime Prevention

Nearest relative: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Home City: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_

Recommending Sheriff: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

If *Posthumous Date of Death*: \_\_\_\_\_

*Cause of Death i.e. Traffic, firearm*: \_\_\_\_\_

***Describe circumstances surrounding the Award:***

Add Attachment or supporting document(s).

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Sheriff

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Submission

Email signed forms to Lynn Saputo at [lynn@ilsheriff.org](mailto:lynn@ilsheriff.org)