



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

MEDIA ADVISORY

POLICE DEPARTMENT

- What:** San Diego Police Department Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon/Awards
- When:** Wednesday, April 18, 2012
1:15-2:30 p.m.
- Where:** Balboa Park Club
Main Ballroom
2150 Pan American Road W (Balboa Park)
- Contact:** Sergeant Raphael Cimmarrusti
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The San Diego Police Department is recognizing all of its volunteers for the incredible, selfless job they do each and every day.

The SDPD is recognized world-wide as a leader in law enforcement innovation and one example is the exemplary volunteer program. Today, more than ever, our volunteers play a vital role in the Department's vision to engage the community in a problem-solving partnership, reducing crime and positively affecting the overall quality of life in San Diego. Programs such as Volunteers in Policing (VIP), Crisis Intervention, Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP), Police Reserve Officers, Police Chaplains and Police Cadets are considered models of volunteerism and are imitated in both the public and private sector.

The SDPD's volunteers are regarded as team members who provide critical services to the community. Our volunteers represent all demographics of the city supporting the Department's diversity efforts with more than 750 volunteers.

In 2011, volunteers worked over 164,000 hours in a variety of assignments throughout the City. Their dedication and enthusiasm is an integral part of our success.

We would like to invite all of you to join us in thanking our volunteers for the tremendous job they have done for our Department and our community.

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