

**BEYOND THE TRAFFIC STOP**

Rules and Criteria

The *Beyond the Traffic Stop* Award is designed to recognize those officers who made outstanding cases resulting from a traffic stop taking place from **October 1, 2023 – September 30, 2024**.

An award presentation will take place at the 2025 Vision Zero Partner Conference (VZPC). Please read the eligibility requirements and criteria below and submit nominations via the VZPC [website](https://visionzerond.com/traffic-safety-awards/) or [email](mailto:vzawards@nd.gov). **Nominations are due December 31, 2024.** Nomination form can be found on page two.

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* All entries for the *Beyond the Traffic Stop* Award must be based on traffic stops by duly sworn law enforcement officers. Each entry must be signed and submitted by the observing officer’s agency head or superior officer.
* Entries are based on cases that were built because of a stop for a traffic or equipment violation (i.e. occupant protection violation, speeding, DUI, etc.).
* Thorough professional police work by officer(s) to solve crime or to make arrests stemming from the traffic stop.
* Resulting benefit to community, law enforcement, public and highway safety.
* Element(s) of danger or risk to officer(s), citizens and crime victims, details of how officer recognized danger, took effective steps to reduce risks to law enforcement personnel, crime victims, and citizens.
* The NDDOT Highway Safety Division reserves the right to publicize the winner’s name and the details of each winner’s *Beyond the Traffic Stop* incident as part of a national and local law enforcement awareness program.

**JUDGING CRITERIA**

* Entries and supporting data will be reviewed by the North Dakota Department of Transportation (NDDOT) Highway Safety Division and recipients will be selected (**one recipient per agency**).
* Thoroughness of submitted entry (e.g. simply stating “See attached arrest report” in lieu of completing each section will not be accepted as a valid entry). Attachments are encouraged but concise descriptions are required.

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Deadline: December 31, 2024

**OFFICER INFORMATION**

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| First Name: Enter text | MI: Enter text | Last Name: Enter text |
| Rank: Enter text | |

**AGENCY INFORMATION**

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| Agency Name: Enter text |
| Address: Enter text | |
| City: Enter text | Zip: Enter text |

Note: For this entry to be considered a valid nomination, each of the following sections must be completed. Please do not state “see attached” and submit reports, or case summaries, etc. Attachments are encouraged, but concise descriptions are required. Concise descriptions should be given on additional paper if needed. Use this form as a cover sheet.

**Date of stop:** Enter date

**Time of day:** Enter text

**Describe the events leading to the stop:**

Click or tap here to enter text.

**Describe the result of the traffic stop** (i.e. crime solved, drug or criminal activity, fugitive apprehended)**:**

Click or tap here to enter text.

**Other details:**

Click or tap here to enter text.

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| Submitted by: Enter text |
| Rank: Enter text | |
| Email: Enter text | Date: Enter date |