

Texoma Regional 9-1-1 Telecommunicators Awards Banquet

SHERMAN, MARCH 4, 2019 – Eric Bridges, Executive Director of Texoma Council of Governments (TCOG), announced today that TCOG’s 9-1-1 Program hosted the annual Texoma Regional 9-1-1 Telecommunicators Banquet this past Thursday on February 28. Each year awards are given to telecommunicators throughout our region for the important role they play in public safety.

“Telecommunicators are the critical link between those in need of emergency services and those that provide emergency assistance,” stated Bridges. “The Texoma region is fortunate to have such devoted and dedicated telecommunicators.”

The awards and recipients are as follows:

Silent Heroes:

Kim Kavanaugh, Fannin County Sheriff’s Office; Daniel Lachan, Fannin County Sheriff’s Office; Louis Mabry, Whitesboro Police Department; Hannah McKinney, Cooke County Sheriff’s Office; Sholandra Moore, Denison Police Department; Amber Otten, Sherman Police Department; Janet Simpson, Gainesville Police Department; Melissa Townsend, Grayson County Sheriff’s Office; Rebecca Williams, Van Alstyne Police Department; and Cindy Woods, Bonham Police Department.

Life Saving Award:

Leland Booher, Sherman Police Department; Deana Foster, Bonham Police Department; Carin Hepner, Bonham Police Department; Marinda Owens, Grayson County Sheriff’s Office; Crista Rosada, Cooke County Sheriff’s Office; Ronald Sadler, Fannin County Sheriff’s Office; and Sabre Tweedy, Fannin County Sheriff’s Office.

Team Award of Merit:

Elisha Magar, Ivon Wood, and Andrea Grimes of the Grayson County Sheriff’s Office.

Supervisor of the Year:

Belva McClinton, Gainesville Police Department.

Telecommunicator of the Year:

Elisha Magar, Grayson County Sheriff’s Office.

The Texoma Council of Governments is a voluntary association of the local governments in Cooke, Fannin, and Grayson Counties. Established in 1968, the Texoma Council of Governments promotes economy and efficiency in the coordinated planning and development of the tri-county region through its community and economic development activities. Either directly, or through contractors, the Council provides housing, utility assistance, and weatherization services for low-income citizens in the region and assists the elderly through a variety of Area Agency on Aging programs. The Council also facilitates the delivery of grant funding for homeland security and criminal justice.

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