

Texoma Regional 9-1-1 Telecommunicators Awards Banquet

SHERMAN, February 10, 2017 –The TCOG 9-1-1 Program hosted the annual Texoma Regional 9-1-1 Telecommunicators Awards Banquet on Thursday, February 9, 2017. Each year awards are given to Telecommunicators in our region for the important role they play in public safety.

"It is important that we recognize our Telecommunicators for their professionalism and dedication where public safety is concerned", said Dr. Susan B. Thomas, Executive Director of Texoma Council of Governments (TCOG). "When citizens call 9-1-1 these Telecommunicators work hard to make certain that help arrives as quickly as possible."

The awards and recipients are as follow:

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| <u>Silent Heroes</u> Ronald Sadler <i>Fannin County SO</i> Amanda King <i>Cooke County SO</i> Shannon Haines <i>Van Alstyne PD</i> Bianca Crouse <i>Denison PD</i> Lisa Williams <i>Sherman PD</i> Rachael Terrazas <i>Whitesboro PD</i> Elisha Magar <i>Grayson County SO</i> Carin Hepner <i>Bonham PD</i> | <u>Life-Saving Award Recipients</u> Linda Jones <i>Cooke County SO</i> Ashley McSwain Allsup <i>Van Alstyne PD</i> Leland Booher <i>Sherman PD</i> Ivon Woods <i>Grayson County SO</i> Adriana Keeton <i>Whitesboro PD</i> <u>Team Award of Merit</u> <u>Recipients for Multi-Agency Incident</u> Lyra Webb <i>Grayson County SO</i> Marinda Owens <i>Grayson County SO</i> | Zach Bohannon <i>Sherman PD</i> Amanda Mulkey <i>Sherman PD</i> <u>Supervisor of the Year</u> Audrey Baxter <i>Fannin County SO</i> <u>Telecommunicator of the Year</u> Gracie Castaneda <i>Grayson County SO</i> |
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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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