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Police Department Honors Local Businesses and Citizens

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The Christiansburg Police Department recently held its first annual Business and Citizen Appreciation Luncheon to recognize and thank local businesses and residents for their contributions toward improving the safety of the community over the past year.

Contributions by businesses ranged from food donations for crime prevention events by Kroger, to helping distribute bike helmets by the Cambria Toy Station, to Sign-A-Rama printing banners and outfitting a Power Wheels car to look just like a Christiansburg Police Department cruiser for a raffle give-away, among others.

The complete list of businesses honored is as follows:

Horne Funeral Home
Good Shepherd Baptist Church
CPD Citizen Support Group
RSC Rentals
Best Buy
Sign-A-Rama
Starbucks
Member One Federal Credit Union

Selfless actions by citizens that contributed to stopping crimes and safeguarding the community were also recognized. These actions included coming to the aid of an officer struggling with a suspect; reporting suspicious behavior that ultimately solved a string of breaking and entering cases across multiple jurisdictions; interviewing numerous suspected victims of sexual abuse within a short period of time to assist in an investigation, among others. In addition to a framed plaque honoring their deeds, each citizen also received a chief's challenge coin, which is considered to be a notable honor within the law enforcement community.

The complete list of citizens honored is as follows:

Michael Edwards
Marie Castillo
Heather Flassing
Bruce Sarver
Larry Gerald
Steve Byrd

The Christiansburg Police Department is sincerely appreciative of the contributions and support of each business and citizen in making our community a better, safer place.

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