

THOMAS W. HAYDEN AWARD – Information Sheet

The Bowie Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad, Inc. (BVFD) is establishing and dedicating a new annual award to be titled the Thomas W. Hayden Award in memory of EMT Thomas W. Hayden. This award will honor Tom's contributions to the CPR for Bowie program and to the citizens of the City of Bowie. Tom dedicated many hours to the furthering of the CPR for Bowie program by teaching the life-saving skills to thousands of members of various fire departments, City of Bowie employees, as well as to the general public. Tom's enthusiasm and teaching style was one that will never be forgotten or duplicated. This annual award will ensure that the legacy of EMT Thomas W. Hayden will live on.

The Thomas W. Hayden Award is given to recognize an individual(s) who has gone above and beyond the call of duty with regards to performing CPR and/or the CPR for Bowie program.

Eligibility:

The BVFD will present the annual award to the most deserving individual(s) if he or she has met one or more of the following criteria within the area of responsibility for the BVFD:

- ❖ Used CPR skills to help any citizen in an emergency life threatening situation that resulted in the patient surviving for another day; or
- ❖ Has gone above and beyond the call of duty by becoming a certified CPR instructor for the CPR for Bowie program and has taught more than the minimum classes required by the American Heart Association to maintain their instructor certification; or
- ❖ Has promoted the CPR for Bowie program throughout the community; or
- ❖ Has made significant contributions to the CPR for Bowie program; or
- ❖ Someone who continually seeks further education with regards to CPR training and shares that knowledge with the members of the BVFD.

Additional Information:

Any person that resides, works or travels through the area of responsibility for the Bowie Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad, Inc. can be nominated for the Thomas W. Hayden Award. The qualifying rescue or activity must have occurred within the same boundaries and within the same calendar year (Jan 1-Dec31 of current year). Some examples of nominees include (but are not limited to) Firefighters, Emergency Medical Technicians, Paramedics, Police Officers, city employees, lifeguards, ordinary citizens. See the award eligibility specifications for the criteria defining a qualifying rescue or activity.

The person being nominated must be identified by name, address and contact information. The qualifying rescue or activity must be described in detail to include date of event, address of event and any other information to support the nomination. The qualifying rescue or activity must be documented by a verifiable means such as an EMS/FIRE/POLICE incident report, photographs, printed media story (from reputable source), substantiated by witnesses to even include a statement of facts from the person rescued if possible, or any other public source that can be verified as to the qualifying rescue or activity. Any information restricted by the HIPPA Act may be referenced but not released into the public.

THOMAS W. HAYDEN AWARD NOMINATION FORM

Before writing your nomination, please ensure that the nomination meets the award requirements. See the Thomas W. Hayden Award – Information Sheet for eligibility requirements.

Nominator Information

Nominator Name: _____

Nominator Address: _____

Nominator Email: _____

Nominator Phone: (Day) _____ (Evening) _____

Nominee Information

Name of the individual (EMT, Firefighter, Law Enforcement, Paramedic, etc.) you are nominating:

Nominee's Organization: _____

Nominee Phone: (Day) _____ (Evening) _____

Nominee Email: _____

Time period of extraordinary performance: _____

On additional page(s), please provide a full description of the nominee's performance sufficient to allow the committee to make a reasonable evaluation of the nomination. This would include nature and circumstances of the extraordinary performance; witnesses or others involved; level of risk or difficulty overcome to estimate how it was beyond the call of duty, and any other factors that will help the committee understand why you think the nominee deserves recognition. The committee may contact you to request further information.

Private Citizen Nomination – See the *Thomas W. Hayden Awards – Information Sheet (Additional Information)* for requirement guidelines.

Citizen Name: _____

Citizen Address: _____

Citizen Phone: (Day) _____ (Evening) _____

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: January 31, 2014 (for rescue/activity between Jan1-Dec31, 2013)

All information must be provided for nomination to be considered. Please mail nomination to Bowie Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad, Inc., 3262 Superior Lane, PMB 270, ATTN: Cindy Loftus, Bowie, MD 20715 or email to BVFDInfo@gmail.com - Subject: Thomas W. Hayden Award Nomination