43rd Annual

SOUTH BAY
Medal of Valor

Luncheon
May 25, 2017

Sponsored by the South Bay Police and Fire Memorial Foundation
Purpose of the Awards

In the firefighter and police officer professions, where the dramatic is commonplace and action is a way of life, many heroic acts go unnoticed in the normal performance of duties. This Medal of Valor Awards program is intended to attract community recognition to the South Bay’s outstanding police and fire departments and to honor their exceptional individuals.

The Medal of Valor is awarded to individual police officers and firefighters who have distinguished themselves by bravery, heroism, or other meritorious actions beyond the normal demands of protection services. The primary purpose of awarding the Medal of Valor is the recognition of the imminent threat of great bodily harm or loss of life to the officer, a colleague, or a citizen.

Medal of Valor, Distinguished Service and Lifesaving awards are given to those police and fire public safety officers whose nominations have been selected and screened by the executive officers from their departments and by a panel of police and fire chiefs representing the South Bay Police and Fire Memorial Foundation.

These awards are given with the knowledge that the acts being honored are but a minute portion of the exceptional work performed by members of South Bay area police and fire departments.

"Being brave meant that though you might be frightened, you would face the greatest danger if you knew it was the right thing to do."

Anne Holm

"I know in my heart that man is good. That what is right will always eventually triumph. And there’s purpose and worth to each and every life."

Ronald Reagan