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## *The Los Angeles County Fire Department*

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# *2021 Valor Awards*

*Honoring Recipients for Achievements in 2019 & 2020*

*Thursday, July 22, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.*

*The virtual ceremony can viewed online at [www.SupportLACountyFire.org/Valor](http://www.SupportLACountyFire.org/Valor).*

*The following recipients will be honored for their achievements in 2019:*

### *Medal of Valor*

*Fire Fighter Henry Diaz • Fire Fighter Jennifer Teer • Fire Fighter Katherine Whitby*

### *Certificate of Valor*

*Fire Fighter Specialist Jay Sartoris • Fire Fighter Specialist Bennie Sims, Jr. • Shelby Stuckey*

### *Certificate of Merit*

*Fire Fighter Specialist Dane DeBoer • Explorer Matthew Harrison • Fire Fighter Brandon Johnson*

### *Letter of Commendation*

*Fire Fighter Joseph Arambula • Fire Captain Michael Chapman • Fire Fighter Tyler Griffin  
Fire Captain Ryan McKeehan • Fire Fighter Jeremy Munyon • Fire Fighter Ruben Sanchez • Fire Fighter Daniel Skaggs*

### *Exemplary Service Award*

*Vida Advincula • Toni Arrelano • Nancy Baker • Fire Fighter Thomas Barber • Fire Fighter Gilbert Barela III • Fire Fighter Specialist Joe Barrios • Fire Fighter Randall Bishop  
Fire Captain Sergio Burciaga • Norma Cabrales • Fire Captain Armando Carrion, Jr. • Elizabeth Chavarria • Battalion Chief Dave Christian • Fire Captain Brian Cieslak • Shane Cook  
Fire Captain Pablo Cruz • Ocean Lifeguard Specialist Lauren Dale • Joann Davis • Fire Fighter Patrick Denevan • Christine Estrada • Fire Fighter Specialist Scott Evans • Fire Captain Jon Ferguson  
Dorothy Foster • Kaelyn Floyd • Angela Gamboa-Rivas • Amelia Garcia • Ruben Garcia • Ilda Gates • Armando Gonzalez • Diego Gonzalez • Silvia Gonzalez • Travis Griffith-Washington  
Fire Captain Michael Headington • Fire Fighter Robert Heinzl • Michelle Herrera-Gomez • Laura Herman • Rowena Hernandez • Fire Fighter Larry Hoerner • LaVerne Holley  
Fire Fighter Justin Hommel • Nancy Howe • Ocean Lifeguard Specialist Blake Hubbell • Thai-Nam Huynh • Clayton Kazan, M.D. • Fariba Khaledan • Yun Son Kim  
Fire Fighter Specialist Kevin Koepfer • Fire Fighter Specialist Jaime Leclercq • Ocean Lifeguard Stephen Leon, Jr. • Fire Fighter Specialist Esteban Lopez • Vanessa Lozano  
Fire Fighter Specialist Alejandro Magana • Ocean Lifeguard Max Malamed • Fire Fighter Stanley Maloof • Rebecca Martinez • Fire Fighter Leon McCloskey • Kathy Moore  
Fire Fighter Michael Moreno • Fire Captain Guadalupe Munoz • Fire Captain Fidel Nieto • Mauricio Nunez • Fire Fighter Tim O'Donnell & K-9 Pierre • Tracy Ohan • Heidi Oliva  
Maricela Ontiveros • Senior Pilot Eric Pacheco • Fire Fighter John Palozzi • Fire Captain Robert Prince • Fire Fighter Paul Rarick • Ocean Lifeguard Specialist Todd Ribera • LaFonda Riggins  
Fire Fighter Specialist Miguel Rodriguez • Lifeguard Captain Roque Roque • Fire Fighter Kyle Sanford • Fire Fighter Scott Sherman • Fire Fighter Keven Sleight • Nicole Steeneken  
Fire Captain David Stephens • Fire Captain Jason Vasquez & K-9 Phenway • Fire Fighter Kevin Welsh • Ilse Wogau • Karen Zarsadias-Ige • Fire Fighter Richard Zuniga*

### *Special Recognition*

*Girl Scout Troup 2634 • Robert Sowell*



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### *Medal of Valor*

*Fire Fighter Jeffrey Darney*

### *Certificate of Valor*

*Harbor Patrol Officer William Flickinger*

### *Unit Citation*

*Fire Fighter Specialist Jerry Abbott • Fire Fighter Brian Ballentine • Fire Captain Joseph Burruel • Fire Fighter Specialist Vicente Casas • Fire Fighter Matthew Cristea  
Fire Fighter Christopher Cullen • Fire Captain Max Dymond • Fire Fighter Specialist Eric Hammerstrom • Fire Fighter Rudolph Leon • Fire Fighter Specialist Craig Little  
Fire Fighter Andrew Marquez • Fire Captain John Muldoon • Fire Fighter Jerry Perez • Fire Fighter Neil Polakovic • Fire Fighter Specialist Brian Robertson • Fire Captain Jason Vasquez*

### *Certificate of Merit*

*Fire Captain Mario Cabrales*

### *Letter of Commendation*

*La Habra Police Officer Luster Anthony • La Habra Police Officer Nick Mc Dermott • Harbor Patrol Officer Greg Warner*

### *Exemplary Service Award*

*Vida Advincula • Anna Aguayo • Fire Fighter Gustavo Aguirre • Mark Alam • Nancy Alvarez • Toni Arellano • Maria Arias • Gloria Arreola • Spartak Avetisyan • Antoinette Avignone  
Andrea Avila • Fire Fighter Errol Baker • Ocean Lifeguard Specialist Kealinoopono Barnes • Harmik Bazik • Endya Bell • Austin Bennett • David Bernal • Ron Bleier  
Domenick Booker-Pomata • Thomas Brown • Tuan Bui • Catherine Burciaga • Gustavo Cantos • Jenny Carney • Cecilia Carter • Fire Fighter Jim Cermak • Frank Cervantes  
Miguel Cervantes • Daniel Chau • Kevin Chau • Brittany Chavez-Espinoza • Erik Cheng • Kien Chin • Naomi Chow • Fire Fighter Specialist Hans Christian • Richard Clark  
Kaela Cochran • Shane Cook • Fire Captain Sky Cornell • Cesar Cortez • Gina Cortez • Kristina Crews • Melissa Cuevas • Christopher Cummins • Fire Captain David Dantic  
Fire Fighter Specialist David Delgado • Fire Fighter Edward Diaz • Desiree Downs • Pascal DSouza • Fire Captain Francisco Espinosa • Fire Fighter Howard Ferguson • Adedoyin Fetuga  
Tracy Flores • Ruben Garcia • Fire Captain Erich Goetz • Cesar Gomez • Armando Gonzalez • Jose Gonzalez • Sheryl Gradney • Ocean Lifeguard Specialist Charlotte Graham  
Fire Fighter Tyler Griffin • Maria Grycan • Yvette Guereque • Nicholas Guevara • Puneet Gupta, M.D. • Armineh Haghverdian • Lifeguard Section Chief Kenichi Haskett • Johnny Hawkins  
Fire Captain Andrew Hill • LaVerne Holley • Fire Fighter Cory Hughes • Tricia Jaajoco • Deanna Josing • Battalion Chief Brian Kane • Saman Kashani, M.D.  
Clayton Kazan, M.D. • James Keegan • Yun Son Kim • Elizabeth Klueger, PharmD. • Paula LaFarge • Edith Lai • Vy Lam • Armenoui Latifian • Yui Law • Li Jen Lee • Adrian Li  
Fire Captain Alex Linton • Amanda Liu • Vanessa Lozano • Margarita Lucas • Yuanying Luo • Carmen Mackey • Fire Fighter Specialist Art Magness  
Ocean Lifeguard Specialist Jeffrey Martinez • Ocean Lifeguard Manuel Martinez • Yadhira Martinez • Patrick McGary • Terrence McGregor • Fire Captain Terry Millsaps • Arsen Mkrtchyan  
Sara Jae Moore • Martha Morales • Jennifer Morga • Fire Captain Phillip Muller • Alan Murphy • Brian Nakamura • Fire Fighter Specialist Henry Narvaez • Stacy Ngo • Diana Nguyen  
Gary Nishimura • Heidi Oliva • Paul Pelasky • Fire Fighter Shannan Pettinger • Elaine Phan • Fire Captain Adrian Reyes • Edward Rhone • Bradley Richardson • Leticia Rivera  
Battalion Chief Dustin Robertson • Lucinda Ruiz • Angel Sanchez • Fire Captain Paul Schifando • Fire Fighter Jeff Shauster • Sarah Shaw • Fire Fighter Scott Sherman • Fire Fighter Keven Slight  
Sara Stamback • Christopher Swearengin • Scott Topiol • Marie Torres • Fire Captain Victor Torres • Eric Valenzuela • Fire Fighter Mitchell Van Os • Linh Vuong-Shaffer, PharmD.  
David Vuthichaipan • George Wang • Adriana Watson • Battalion Chief Bryan Wells • Adrianna West • Fire Captain Keith Wiczorek • Aaron Williams • Ise Wogau • Jimmy Wu • Lauren Wu  
Karen Zarsadiaz-Ige • Michelle Zhang • Abbie Zhong • Fire Fighter Daniel Zimmerman • Fire Fighter Christopher Zimmerman • Lifeguard Captain John Zimpelman*