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**NEWS RELEASE**

**METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Service, Integrity, Leadership, and Fair Treatment to All

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**Officers and Civilians to be Honored at Awards Ceremony**

The Metropolitan Police Department, City of St. Louis (“the department”) will hold an Awards Ceremony on Thursday, September 13, 2012, at Harris-Stowe State University, 3026 Laclede Avenue at 7 p.m. to recognize the outstanding efforts of police officers and civilian employees for the commitment each has shown in making St. Louis a safer place. Among those being honored are the 2011 District Officers of the Year and the 2011 Overall Officer and Civilian of the Year, all of whom were selected by their peers.

The Meritorious Service Citation will also be presented to officers who distinguished themselves in the face of personal danger while the Chief’s Letter of Commendation will be awarded to those officers who demonstrated special perseverance in the performance of duty. The department will also honor commissioned and civilian personnel who celebrated milestone years of service with the department.

**WHO: Metropolitan Police Department**  
**WHAT: Department Awards Ceremony**  
**WHERE: Harris-Stowe State University, 3026 Laclede Avenue**  
**WHEN: Thursday, September 13, 2012**

**Reporters and Photographers are welcome to attend. Please note, we ask that you please not print/air photos/video of officers who are not in uniform.**

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