Lieutenant Michael Zarro
Neptune Municipal Alliance, Monmouth County

Neptune Township native, Lieutenant Michael Zarro, has been a Neptune Police Officer for 24 years. He started his law enforcement career as a Patrolman, and eventually moved up to Sergeant and Lieutenant. He currently oversees Traffic & Community Policing. Michael has been an active member of the Neptune Township Municipal Alliance since 2008. Mike has been the driving force behind Cops vs. Kids sports events for the past twelve years. He not only attends Neptune Municipal Alliance meetings and programs but also volunteers at events. His volunteer work and commitment to the community makes him a deserving recipient of the Monmouth County Municipal Alliance Volunteer of the Year Award.

Dr. Raymond Danziger
Wanaque-Ringwood Municipal Alliance, Passaic County

Dr. Raymond Danziger was the Student Assistant Coordinator at Lakeland Regional High School from 1987 until he retired in 2018. He founded the Alliance of Wanaque and Ringwood for Education and Awareness for Substance Abuse Prevention (AWARE ASAP) which has been active since 1989. He both founded and facilitated several evidence-based Alliance programs for over three decades. Dr. Danziger was the Chairman of the Alliance until his retirement last year, and he remains very involved. His commitment to his community and prevention make Dr. Danziger a deserving recipient of the Passaic County Municipal Alliance Volunteer of the Year Award.

Joellen Collins-Cardona
Pittsgrove Municipal Allaince, Salem County

Joellen Collins-Cardona is a school counselor at A.P. Schalick High School in Pittsgrove. She is the Chairperson for the Pittsgrove Municipal Alliance and has been active in the Pittsgrove Parent Teacher Organizations for twenty years, while raising six children. Five years ago, Joellen empowered her students and worked with them to establish Teen Institute Prevention Alliance (TIPA) club. Joellen teaches others the value of selfless contributions, and can often be seen accompanied by the students while they each give back to their community. Seeing a need for volunteers with youth organizations in her community, Joellen has also coached sports and other extracurricular activities. Her commitment to her Alliance and her community make Joellen a deserving recipient of the Salem County Municipal Alliance Volunteer of the Year Award.

Brooke Herbst
Bridgewater-Raritan Municipal Alliance, Somerset County

Brooke Herbst is a Bridgewater Township Resident who has served on both the Bridgewater-Raritan Municipal Alliance and Youth Services Commission. She is married with two children, her daughter is a junior at Bridgewater-Raritan High School, and her son graduated in 2017. Brooke has been actively involved as a volunteer with community organizations and events for over 16 years. In the last three years, she has volunteered to head Project Graduation for her Alliance and was able to reinvigorate the program by creating community and social media presence that attracted 80 more participants than the previous year. Her passion and dedication make Brooke a deserving recipient of the Somerset County Municipal Alliance Volunteer of the Year Award.

Debbie Danielson
Newton Municipal Alliance, Sussex County

Debbie Danielson works as an Administrative Assistant to the Department of Public Works and has been an active part of the Newton Municipal Alliance for several years. She played an integral part in building Newton Day, as a positive family building experience in the community. Debbie also helped to implement the LEAD Program in her community. She has a great work ethic and has the heart of a true volunteer. Her commitment to her community makes her a deserving recipient of the Sussex County Municipal Alliance Volunteer of the Year Award.

Jaimie DeDea
Westfield Municipal Alliance, Union County

Westfield High School student Jaimie DeDea has done an exceptional job providing support and leadership to many of her peers. She demonstrates incredible work ethic, refreshing maturity, and undying determination. As a high school senior, Jaimie has attended four consecutive Youth Leadership Conference with the "Dream Team" which partners with the Westfield Municipal Alliance. She took leadership roles at these events by creating flyers, promoting, helping set up, and running the events. She has built the "Dream Team" from under ten students, to over 50! In addition to her academic and athletic achievements, Jaimie takes the time to give back in effort to make Westfield a better place. For her commitment and dedication to her community, Jaimie is a deserving recipient of the Union County Municipal Alliance Volunteer of the Year Award.

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Kathleen M. Pittaluga
Dennis Township Municipal Alliance
Cape May County

Kathleen M. Pittaluga lives in Dennis Township and worked as the Dennis Township School District School Social Worker for 30 years. Kathy has been an essential part of the Alliance for many years. Her contributions as a volunteer include planning and organizing events for the community. She has consistently volunteered for Dennis Township Alliance events, including National Night Out and Peer Leadership. Kathy also works behind the scenes. She has provided valuable information and input regarding the needs of Dennis Township during the needs assessment and helping create the Alliance logic models. Kathy has even completed quarterly reports, which she did in the early 1990's on a typewriter! She is an example of how grassroots volunteer work can impact a community. Her contributions to the community make Kathy a deserving recipient of the W. Cary Edwards Statewide Volunteer of the Year Award.

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Patrolman Jayson Chu
Somers Point Municipal Alliance, Atlantic County

Patrolman Jayson Chu is a 26 year old resident of Somers Point. He was hired by the Somers Point Police Department as a Class II Officer in 2015, and became full time in 2017 after graduating the Atlantic County Police Academy. He is an active member of the Alliance and never hesitates to volunteer to help with programs and events. Jayson participates with National Night Out, and is always the first to sign up for programs involving the Police Department. When children come by the station and ask for a tour, Jayson helps answer their questions and provides them with Somers Point Municipal Alliance material. His efforts and enthusiasm make Jayson a deserving recipient of the Atlantic County Municipal Alliance Volunteer of the Year Award.

Carol Wagner
Fair Lawn Municipal Alliance, Bergen County

Carol Wagner started working for the Borough of Fair Lawn in 2002 as the Health Officer and Director of Health & Human Services, and also became a member of the Fair Lawn Alliance for Substance Abuse Prevention (FLASAP) and the Municipal Alliance Grant Chair. Carol began her substance abuse prevention efforts when the Drug & Alcohol survey was released in 2003. Carol worked closely with the FLASAP and the Fair Lawn Police Department to conduct the first community-wide initiative to address the issue of underage drinking. Her efforts were imperative in having an ordinance adopted by the town to prohibit underage drinking on private property. Over the years, Carol has volunteered a great amount of time to planning, coordinating, and implementing many Fair Lawn Municipal Alliance meetings and programs, in addition to her work writing the grant proposal and compiling all of the grant expenditure reports. Her dedication and commitment to the Alliance makes Carol a deserving recipient of the Bergen County Municipal Alliance Volunteer of the Year Award.

Officer Floyd Hazzard
Burlington Municipal Alliance, Burlington County

Officer Floyd Hazzard began working for the State of New Jersey Department of Corrections in 1997, and remained there until he began working at the Burlington Police Department in 2002. He is currently working as the School Resource Officer for the Burlington Township School district. Floyd is one of the coordinators for the Emergency Services Youth Academy held by Burlington Township every year. For this event, Floyd helps organize first responder training for approximately 75 children. His service to the community makes him a deserving recipient of the Burlington County Municipal Alliance Volunteer of the Year Award.

Sherman J. Denby
Bridgeton Municipal Alliance, Cumberland County

Sherman J. Denby is a Certified Master Teacher for the Bridgeton Public Schools and a Bridgeton Municipal Alliance volunteer. He has been nominated for Teacher of the Year seven times, and has been recognized for his commitment by multiple organizations. Sherman has stepped up in many different ways to help the Alliance including supervising off-site activities and recruiting participants. His ability to connect with students and participants has allowed the Alliance to do effective succession planning and maintain sustainability. Sherman dedicates himself to his school and the Alliance program as a means of modeling commitment, raising academic expectations, and striving for the success of not only the students but also the communities. His passion and commitment to the community make Sherman a deserving recipient of the Cumberland County Municipal Alliance Volunteer of the Year Award.

John E. Rogers
Millburn Municipal Alliance, Essex County

In 2011, John E. Rogers concluded 40 years in Middle School education in the Millburn school district as an English teacher and Guidance Counselor-Coordinator. John has been active in the Millburn Municipal Alliance for three decades and has been acknowledged by others for his volunteer work and contributions. His efforts have helped to break the silence and educate residents on prevention and facts about substance abuse prevention, as well as mental health. John is an educator, mental health advocate, and actor, who has appeared in over fifty dramatic productions, and he continues to pursue theater opportunities in the applied performance (social justice) sector. His commitment to the community makes John a deserving recipient of the Essex County Municipal Alliance Volunteer of the Year Award.

Linda Tramo
Deptford Township Municipal Alliance, Gloucester County

Linda Tramo, a retired Radiologic Technologist and Radiation Therapy Technologist, is active in many community and county activities. The Deptford Township Municipal Drug Alliance considers Linda an invaluable asset. She not only brings new ideas to the table, Linda also helps to organize events and facilitate communication between the Alliance and various other entities. She participates in community service to share her experience in ways that benefit and enhance the community. Her dedication and commitment make Linda a deserving recipient of the Gloucester County Municipal Alliance Volunteer of the Year Award.

Victor Roveda
Union City Municipal Alliance, Hudson County

For the past three years, Victor Roveda has been the Student Assistance Counselor (SAC) and an active member of the Alliance in Union City. He organized and implemented the Youth Task Force. Under Victor's leadership, the entire Youth Task Force (17 members) participated in the 2018 Lindsey Meyer Teen Institute Summer Leadership Conference and the Fall Leadership Conference. Additionally, the group conducted multiple "Sticker Shock" campaigns and participated in several evidence-based Alliance activities. His passion and commitment make Victor a deserving recipient of the Hudson County Municipal Alliance Volunteer of the Year Award.

Detective Thomas Hash
North Hunterdon Municipal Alliance, Hunterdon County

Detective Thomas Hash started his career in law enforcement in 1995 with the Newark Police Department, where he spent seven years before moving to the Clinton Township Police Department. For the last seventeen years, Tom has been a pillar of not only the department but the community. As the School Resource Officer since 2004 and an active member of the North Hunterdon Municipal Alliance, he has worked in all of the township schools, building relationships with faculty, students and their families. He has shown support and enthusiasm for North Hunterdon Municipal Alliance programs such as DARE and Every 15 Minutes. He has also been recognized for his participation in LEAP and other Alliance programs. His passion and commitment make Tom a deserving recipient of the Hunterdon County Municipal Alliance Volunteer of the Year Award.

Frank Lovero
Hopewell Municipal Alliance, Mercer County

Frank Lovero joined the Pennington Assemblies of God (AG) team in October 2014. From leading children's ministries, to planning youth events, to overseeing small groups, Frank pours his experience and passion into every facet of his work. He attends Hopewell Municipal Alliance meetings and community workshops, such as Youth Mental Health First Aid. He also provides resources from the Hopewell Municipal Alliance to parents in attendance at different events. Raised in Pennington and a graduate of Hopewell Valley Central High School, Frank strives to see his community come together in service of our neighbors. His passion and commitment make Frank a deserving recipient of the Mercer County Municipal Alliance Volunteer of the Year Award.

Amy Bauman
Piscataway Municipal Alliance, Middlesex County

Amy Bauman has served as the Director on Aging for Piscataway Township for the past ten years. She previously served for 12 years as the Senior Citizen Program Coordinator in East Windsor. She tirelessly advocates for the Piscataway Municipal Alliance and shares information with the community about the dangers of substance abuse. She effectively communicates with and educates older adults on substance abuse and substance abuse prevention. This helps the elder community to be more knowledgeable and proactive in the lives of their grandchildren. Her dedication to her community makes her a well-deserved recipient of the Middlesex County Municipal Alliance Volunteer of the Year Award.