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School Resource/D.A.R.E. Deputy Honored at Maryland's 33rd Annual Governor's Crime Prevention Awards

Maryland Governor's Crime Prevention Awards Program was established in 1980 to recognize the important role of crime prevention in the reduction and control of crime in Maryland. The annual awards ceremony recognizes citizens, community groups, law enforcement agencies and individual police officers who have made significant contributions to the furtherance of crime prevention within their communities.

St. Mary's Sheriff's Office Corporal Angela Delozier is one of those influential individuals. She is assigned to the St. Mary's County Special Operations Division as a School Resource and D.A.R.E. Officer for two St. Mary's County middle schools. Cpl. Delozier divides her time between Leonardtown and Margaret Brent Middle Schools and is responsible for all police related matters concerning and/or stemming from those schools. In addition to her primary duties, Cpl. Delozier is in charge of a number of crime prevention initiatives including the coordination of National Night Out and the St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office summer youth program – CAMP D.A.R.E.

Cpl. Delozier's drive and work ethic inspires team work. Her creativity, dedication and pro-active approach to youth safety lead her to write, film and produce two prevention videos for elementary school students. The films involved school bus safety and what are acceptable items to bring to school (i.e. no toy guns, knives or other items which are considered dangerous). Cpl. Delozier realizes the importance of enforcing "ownership" in student conduct so she included several students as actors in the production of the videos. The videos are now shown at every elementary school in St. Mary's County, Maryland and the number of unauthorized items brought into schools has significantly reduced.

"Corporal Angela Delozier embodies all the qualities of an officer we want assigned to our schools, interacting with our children. Her ethical standard of conduct, leadership and caring demeanor make her an influential role model and a beacon of a brighter future. Students throughout St. Mary's County aspire to be like her and go out of their way for a "high-five", hug or simple smile from Cpl. Delozier. Congratulations Cpl. Delozier and keep doing what you do best. It makes a difference." (Sheriff Timothy K. Cameron)



Sergeant Gerald Johnson and Corporal Angela Delozier