

Pacific County E911 Director Stephanie Fritz Receives Maurice Courtright Award

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Kennewick, WA – On June 21st, 2012 during a ceremony hosted by the Association of Public Safety Communications Officials (APCO), Pacific County Emergency Management/E911 Director Stephanie Fritts was awarded the prestigious “Maurice Courtright Award” for her tenacious work and dedication to the public that we serve. The award was bestowed to the Northwest Chapter of APCO by his widow, stating that the memory of Maury should be kept alive in the organization he so loved. The award is not about deeds, or numbers, or accomplishments, nor has it anything to do with financial successes, or chairmanships, or most anything else normally used to measure a person. The award does speak volumes about the inspiration behind those deeds, numbers, accomplishments and successes of that person’s associates.

The Maurice Courtright award is bestowed upon those individuals having a positive, caring attitude who believe that to elevate and make great the individuals in an organization will make the organization vastly greater and stronger for the benefit of all. Thus making significant contributions to the NW (now Washington) Chapter of APCO through personality, persuasion, caring, and efforts of helping others outside of the normal work assignments. The award is for candidates who lead without being a leader, who influence others to accomplish great deeds via a caring attitude and who inspire others to greatness beyond the limits they themselves ever imagined. “The spark plug of life,” so to speak. Or. To put it another way, “the heart and soul” of the Washington Chapter of APCO. Pacific County Sheriff Scott Johnson stated “The Pacific County Sheriff’s Office is very proud of Stephanie Fritts for receiving this great award”. “We have the privilege to work with her on a daily basis and benefit from her hard work and dedication first hand and I couldn’t think of a more deserving person”.