



# NPDF

NATIONAL POLICE DEFENSE FOUNDATION

"Protecting and Supporting Law Enforcement"



Dear NPDF Member & Supporter:

You are cordially invited to celebrate the National Police Defense Foundation's 2024 Annual Awards Dinner on Wednesday, May 8, 2024 at 6 PM at Russo's on the Bay, 162-45 Cross Bay Boulevard, Howard Beach, N.Y. 11414. The NPDF Executive Board is honored to announce the following distinguished honorees well deserving of recognition.

## 2024 DISTINGUISHED HONOREES

**Person of the Year Award**

**Patrick J. Ryder**  
Nassau County Police Department

**Lifetime Achievement Award**

**SAC Frank A. Tarentino III**  
U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration

**Businessman of the Year Award**

**Peter Unanue, Executive Vice President**  
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**Distinguished Member Award**

**Dennis J. Surgue, Associate Member**

**Det. Jack Holder Medal of Honor Award**

**Superintendent Mali Shosana**  
Israeli National Police

**Mario Apuzzo, Esq. Combat Cross Award**

**Police Officer Blake Andrews**  
Columbus Police Department

**Special Achievement Award**

**Dr. Jordan Josephson**  
NPDF Police Surgeon

Our annual awards dinner helps fund the NPDF and its many charitable endeavors. The proceeds to benefit the NPDF, charitable endeavors and program services that include "Operation Kids" and the "Safe Cop" programs.

The NPDF's annual awards dinner is our major fundraiser, therefore, please support our efforts. The ticket cost is \$150 and includes the famous "Russo's on the Bay" enhanced cocktail hour, open bar, full course dinner and entertainment.

ORDER TICKETS EARLY!! It is expected that tickets will sell out rather quickly. There will be no tickets sold at the door, nor reservations taken without advanced payment. It's simple, tickets can be purchased by calling 732-617-2330 or online at [www.NPDF.org](http://www.NPDF.org). (Major Credit Cards Accepted).

Please find enclosed an application to reserve your award dinner tickets, as well as information regarding corporate sponsorship and advertisement opportunities in our commemorative journal. If you are unable to attend, you can show your support to the National Police Defense Foundation and our honorees by taking an advertisement in our journal or by making a 100% tax-deductible donation.

With sincere gratitude,

*Joseph Occhipinti*

Joseph Occhipinti  
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