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Wylie Police Named Best Dressed
National Organization Honors WPD for New Uniforms

Wylie, TX, April 23, 2015 – Wylie Police Department was honored with a Best Dressed Public Safety Award by the North American Association of Uniform Manufacturers and Distributors. WPD won in the Departments with 51-100 Officers category.

“In any police organization, the uniform stands for something,” said Wylie PD Sgt. Donna Valdepena. “Having a sharp, professional uniform projects to the community that we are a top-notch police organization.”

NAUMD said that, in 2014, Red the Uniform Tailor did a “complete uniform overhaul” for the Wylie PD and every officer was issued a new uniform to bring the department into consistency. “The new uniform demands respect and is the epitome of command presence,” NAUMD officials said.

The honorees were selected by a panel of independent judges representing the media, education and police chiefs. The awards program emphasizes the high value of professional, neat, well-fitted and immediately identifiable uniforms in the vitally important role of public safety and law enforcement.

“Whether for protection or identification, apparel designs play an increasingly important role in keeping both public safety officials and the public safe,” said Richard J. Lerman, president and CEO of NAUMD. “In order to be the best, you must look and feel the best. This award recognizes innovative designs and technologies that help ensure the comfort of police, fire and other first-responder safety officials.”

Other winners included Upper Providence Township Police Department, Phoenixville, Pa., for Departments with Fewer than 50 Officers; Lincoln Police Department, Lincoln, Neb., for Departments with 251-751 Officers; Orlando Florida Police Department, Orlando, Fla., Departments with 751-1,000 ; Northampton County Sheriff Department, in Easton, Pa., in the Sheriff’s Office category; and Hartford Connecticut Judicial Marshal Services, in Hartford, Conn., in the Marshal Service category.

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About Wylie – Incorporated in 1887, the City of Wylie is located just 24 miles from downtown Dallas in Collin, Dallas and Rockwall counties. Possessing an outstanding school district, a low crime rate, an ISO #1 rating and an expanding business climate, Wylie (population 44,938) is one of the fastest-growing communities in the state of Texas with a 197-percent increase since 2000.