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**CALIFORNIA EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AUTHORITY ANNOUNCES
2019 CAMP FIRE EMS AWARD RECIPIENTS**

Forty (40) individuals and 41 groups will be honored for their heroic acts and extraordinary contributions to the Camp Fire in Butte County for emergency medical response on June 17th in Chico.

SACRAMENTO - Dr. Howard Backer, Director of the California Emergency Medical Services Authority (EMSA), has announced the recipients of California Emergency Medical Services Camp Fire EMS Awards for 2019. Initiated in 2007, the annual awards honor and recognize exceptional acts and service by individuals working or volunteering in California's emergency medical system.

In 2018, California suffered the most severe wildfires in recent history with a tragic human toll. EMS responders, as well as all other first responders, were pushed to their limits in an attempt to save lives in the face of rapidly advancing flames. On June 17, 2019, the Camp Fire EMS Awards will be held in Butte County to honor those who provided notable EMS and healthcare response to the Camp Fire from November 8 to December 31, 2018.

"We want to join with the community affected by the Camp Fire to recognize the EMS and healthcare personnel who demonstrated compassion, dedication, and in some cases, bravery, to rescue and support the victims of the fire," stated Dr. Howard Backer.

Event details:

When: June 17, 2019 1:45 – 4:00 pm

Where: Laxson Auditorium, California State University Chico, 400 W 1st St, Chico, CA 95929

Register at: <http://2019campfireawards.eventbrite.com> by June 3, 2019

Free Event - Open to the Public

The awards ceremony is generously sponsored by the Hospital Council of Northern & Central California, Life-Assist, California Ambulance Association, and California Paramedic Foundation. For additional information about the awards and the ceremony, visit www.emsa.ca.gov/awards.

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2019 Camp Fire EMS Awards Recipients

[Individual Awards](#)

Name	City	Affiliation
MEDAL OF VALOR		
Sean Abrams	Chico	Butte County EMS
Abel Ascensio	Oroville	CAL Fire
Mark Belden	Redding	American Medical Response
Michael Castro	Chico	Butte County EMS
Robin Cranston	Chico	Butte County EMS
Jonathon Finney	Oroville	CAL Fire
David Hawks	Oroville	Cal Fire/Butte County Fire
Robert Hawley	Oroville	CAL Fire
Charles "Mickey" Huber	Chico	Butte County EMS
Shannon Molarius	Chico	Butte County EMS
Jason Swann	Redding	Mercy Redding
MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL		
Matt Arness	Chico	Butte County Search and Rescue
Robert Berge	Chico	Butte County EMS
Melody Brown	Chico	Butte County EMS
John Dahl	Chico	Butte County EMS
Tamara Ferguson	Paradise	Feather River Hospital
Crissy Foster	Paradise	Feather River Hospital
Tommy Frazier	Cameron Park	State of California EMSA - CALMAT
Joe Greco	Chico	Butte County Search and Rescue
Daniel Hornyak	Chico	Butte County EMS
Heath LeMasters	Oroville	Cal Fire/Butte County Fire
John Lord	Redding	Sierra-Sacramento Valley EMS Agency
Andrew Miller	Oroville	Butte County Public Health
Tim Moore	Oroville	Cal Fire/Butte County Fire
Caylee Palmquist	Chico	Butte County EMS
Byron Parsons	Chico	Butte County EMS/First Responder
William Perkins	Chico	Butte County EMS
Markell Pierce	Sacramento	State of California EMSA
Valya Rainwater	Chico	Butte County EMS
Scott Read	Sacramento	State of California EMSA
David Russel	Paradise	Feather River Hospital
Darcy Seipert	Chico	Butte County EMS
Richard Stricklin	Sacramento	State of California EMSA
Jonathan Taft	Chico	Butte County EMS
Chardonnay Telly	Paradise	Feather River Hospital
Shaun Welsh	Chico	Butte County EMS

CERTIFICATE OF COMMENDATION

Jeremiah Glass, Chico, Butte County EMS
Melinda Allen, Sacramento, CA Conservation Corps
Lt Col Lawrence Kohlman, Fresno, CA Air National Guard 144th Medical Detachment One
Col James Brinkman, San Mateo, CA Army National Guard 297th Area Support Medical Company

California Army National Guard 143rd Field Artillery Regiment Medical Platoon, Fresno
California Air National Guard 144th Medical Detachment One, Fresno
California Army National Guard 184th Infantry Regiment Medical Battalion, Modesto
California Army National Guard 297th Area Support Medical Company, San Mateo
California State Military Reserve
California Conservation Corps
Butte County Coroner's Office
Sacramento County Coroner's Office
Butte County Public Health
B-Line Bus Operators
EMSA Disaster Medical Services Division
Alameda County Medical Reserve Corps (ALCO MRC)
Berkeley Medical Reserve Corps
California Veterinary Medical Reserve Corps
Contra Costa County Medical Reserve Corps
Kern Medical Reserve Corps
Lake County Medical Reserve Corps
Marin County Medical Reserve Corps
Napa County Medical Reserve Corps
Sacramento Medical Reserve Corps
San Francisco Fire Department Civilian Volunteer Medical Reserve Corps
Santa Cruz County Medical Reserve Corps
Sonoma County Medical Reserve Corps
Stanislaus County Medical Reserve Corps
UC Davis Veterinary Emergency Response Team Medical Reserve Corps
Amador County Disaster Healthcare Volunteers Unit
Butte County Disaster Healthcare Volunteers Unit
El Dorado County Disaster Healthcare Volunteers Unit
Humboldt County Disaster Healthcare Volunteers Unit
Mendocino County Disaster Healthcare Volunteers Unit
Sacramento County Disaster Healthcare Volunteers Unit
San Francisco County Disaster Healthcare Volunteers Unit
San Joaquin County Disaster Healthcare Volunteers Unit
Trinity County Disaster Healthcare Volunteers Unit
California Medical Assistance Team - Sacramento Area Unit
California Medical Assistance Team - San Diego Unit
California Medical Assistance Team - Bay Area Unit
California Medical Assistance Team - Orange County Unit
California Medical Assistance Team – Stanford (Palo Alto)
California Medical Assistance Team – Scripps (San Diego)
California Medical Assistance Team – Kaiser Northern California

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