



**Nominations Sought for Illinois
Rising Shields of Law Enforcementsm Awards**

Nominations Open December 1, 2016

The Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police (ILACP) is inviting police departments, universities, corporations, and state and federal agencies in Illinois to nominate future law enforcement executives for the 2017 Rising Shields of Law Enforcementsm Award.

Presented annually, the goal of the award is to encourage those entering law enforcement to continue to grow in the profession, and to understand and meet the needs of law enforcement's next generation. "By honoring rising leaders in all areas of law enforcement, we hope that citizens of Illinois will better understand the significant roles they plan in keeping their communities safe.

ILACP is seeking nominations for officers and future law enforcement executives under the age of 45 who represent the most progressive law enforcement leaders in the state. Police chiefs and other law enforcement executives who work with outstanding young officers and future executives may nominate those they believe deserve this special recognition. The ILACP goal is to recognize and support young professionals and their organizations to continue to innovate and improve best practices that enhance public safety in all our communities.

Forty professionals will be recognized and eight top honorees will be selected from among nominees who work in local law enforcement agencies, federal and state agencies, businesses, and universities, as well as students.

Details about award qualifications and the nomination form are available on the ILACP website at ilchiefs.org and may be submitted beginning December 1, 2016. The deadline for nominations is February 1, 2017. The Rising Shields honorees will be announced March 15, 2017.