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SUBJECT: USF Police Corporal Receives Drug-Free World Hero Award

USF Police Corporal Scott Parker has been named one of five recipients of the prestigious “2017 Drug-Free World Hero Award.” The award recognizes Scott’s leadership in drug prevention programs, education initiatives and raising community awareness about the issue. He was selected from a pool of approximately 500 candidates.

Scott received the honor during the annual Drug-Free World Heroes Awards Banquet on April 29 held at the Historic Fort Harrison in Clearwater, Fla. The purpose of the annual banquet is to honor community leaders, educators, and law enforcement personnel who help to create a drug-free world through their education and prevention efforts.

Scott’s service to the local community includes: providing hundreds of hours of group presentations to students, faculty, staff, community members, and local governmental agencies on topics such as drug & alcohol awareness and emerging drug trends. He also serves as an instructor at Hillsborough Community College where he teaches Standard Field Sobriety Testing (SFST) and specialized DUI training courses. Scott is a Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) and certified through the Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE) program.

A nine-year veteran of the USF Police Department, Scott currently spearheads the department’s DUI initiatives, to include Sobriety and Comprehensive Roadside Safety Checkpoints. In 2010 he was USF Police’s Officer of the Year and received an outstanding performance award by Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) for his DUI enforcement efforts. In 2012, Scott was awarded Community Officer of the Year for the USF Police Department.

Corporal Parker remains active with MADD, the Hillsborough County Anti-Drug Alliance, and the Tampa Alcohol Coalition.

******The Foundation for a Drug-Free World is a nonprofit public benefit corporation that empowers youth and adults with factual information about drugs so they can make informed decisions and live drug-free******