

2025– Frank G. Hammer Officer of the Month Award Recipients

Sheriff's Dept.	Undersheriff Jennifer Olin
Cornell University	Patrol Officer Michael Robinson
Ithaca Police Dept.	Lieutenant Mary Orsaio and Officer Angela Sims
NYSP	Investigator Nicole Hines
Sheriff's Dept.	Sergeant Marc Ninvaggi and Deputy Jacob Gombas
Cornell University	Sergeant Jackie Cito and Officer Blake Curtis
Ithaca Police Dept.	Officer Page McCarthy and Officer Stypulkowski
NYSP	Investigator Corey Knighton and Investigator Alec Edwards
Cornell University	Chief Anthony Bellamy

2024– Frank G. Hammer Officer of the Month Award Recipients

Sheriff's Dept.	Sgt. James Vann
Cornell University	Cops, Kids and Toys
Ithaca Police Dept.	Lt. Theodore Schwartz
NYSP	Inv. Catherine Rounds
Sheriff's Dept.	Corrections Officer Kenneth Bellinger
Open	New York State Park Police
Ithaca Police Dept.	Ofc. Lewis Morse, Ofc. Jarell Shazer, Inv. Benjamin Buck, Inv. James Balyszak, Inv. Mathew Schweiger, Inv. Gregory Herz, Inv. Dana Haff, Sgt. Chris Cady, Sgt. Jacob Allard and Lt. Thomas DuPay
Sheriff's Dept.	Captain Ray Bunce
NYSP	Inv. Brian Rogers

2023– Frank G. Hammer Officer of the Month Award Recipients

Sheriff's Dept.	Deputy James Rolfe
Cornell University	Officer Beverly Van Cleef Officer Jodie Condzella
Bangs Ambulance	Paramedic Traci Lisi
Groton Police Dept. Dryden Police Dept.	Entire Departments
County Attorney's Office	Paralegal Suzi Cook
Ithaca Police Dept.	Deputy Chief Vincent Monticello
Sheriff's Dept.	Deputy Dawn Caulkins
Cornell University	Sergeant Michael Scott
Ithaca Police Dept.	Officer Zachary Vinti and Officer Jarell Shazer
Ithaca Fire Dept.	Entire Department
NYSP	Trooper Daniel Huff
Kiwanis	Miriam Melegrito

2022– Frank G. Hammer Officer of the Month Award Recipients

Sheriff's Dept.	Sgt. Marc Ninivaggi
Cornell University	Sgt. Brandon Frisbie
Ithaca Police Dept.	Sgt. Mary Orsaio and Officer Ryan Card
Ithaca Police Dept.	Lt. Scott Garin
NYSP	Zone Sgt. Martin N. Kopcho
Ithaca College	Sgt. Bryan Verzosa

Groton Police Dept.	Hillari Ninivaggi
Cornell University	Officer Richard Curtiss
Sheriff's Dept.	CO Graden Alpert
Trumansburg Police Dept. NYS Park Police	Entire Departments
Ithaca Police Dept.	Officer Nikolas Lopez Officer James Davenport
NYSP	Trooper Michael Crissy

2021– Frank G. Hammer Officer of the Month Award Recipients

Ithaca Police Dept.	Jolene Betts & Jamie Buffone
NYSP	Captain Dauber & Inv. Matt Smith

2020– Frank G. Hammer Officer of the Month Award Recipients

Sheriff's Dept.	Deputies Aaron Thompson & Neil Shipman
Cornell University	Sgt. Anthony Piedigrossi
Sheriff's Dept.	Evelyn Goldsberry

2019– Frank G. Hammer Officer of the Month Award Recipients

Sheriff's Dept.	Sgt. Tom Walpole
Cornell University	Chief Kathy Zoner
Ithaca Police Dept.	Officer Dana Haff and Sgt. Barry Banfield
Ithaca Police Dept.	Chief Pete Tyler
NYSP	Tpr. Michael Theuerkauf

Ithaca College	Patrol Officer Bryan Verzosa
Ithaca Police Dept.	Inv. Jake Allard
Cornell University	Officer Jacob Tubbs
Sheriff's Dept.	Dep. James Rolfe
NYSP	Inv. Dennis Brown
Ithaca Police Dept.	Sgt. Mike Gray & Officer Joe Jimenez
DA's Office	ADA Diane Lama

2018 – Frank G. Hammer Officer of the Month Award Recipients

Sheriff's Dept.	Makenzi Alling
Cornell University	Sgt. Steve Shirley
Ithaca Fire Dept.	Whole Agency
Ithaca Police Dept.	Inv. Kevin McKenna
Ithaca College	Jennilee Valentin
NYSP	Sgt. Seth Littlejohn
DA's Office	ADA Gary Surdell
Trumansburg Police Dept.	Chief Thomas Ferretti
Cornell University	William Carpenter
Department of Emergency Response	Whole Agency
Ithaca Police Dept.	Community Liaison Group
NYSP	Zone Sgt. Kelly Daley

2017– Frank G. Hammer Officer of the Month Award Recipients

Sheriff's Dept.	Deputy Eric Willman
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NYS Park Police	Whole Agency
Ithaca Police Dept.	Chief John Barber
Dryden & Groton	Whole Agencies
Ithaca College	Chief Terri Stewart
NYSP	Tpr. Nicole Hines
Cornell University	Patrol Officer Ronald Rogers
Cayuga Heights	Brandon Manheim
DA's Office	ADA Eliza Filipowski
Ithaca Police Dept.	Sarah Crews & Lewis Morse
NYSP	Inv. Rick Haas

2016-- Frank G. Hammer Officer of the Month Award Recipients

Sheriff's Dept.	Sgt. Scott Hogan
Ithaca Police Dept.	Sgt. Melissa Harmon
Ithaca College	Master Patrol Officer Donald Lyke
Cornell University	Off. Andrew Navarro, Ray Schweiger, Stan Slovik
Ithaca Police	Honorary Police Officer Colin Toland
NYSP	Inv. Ryan Smith

2015-- Frank G. Hammer Officer of the Month Award Recipients

Sheriff's Dept.	Deputies Scott Walker, Marc Ninivaggi, James Rolfe
Ithaca Police Dept.	Officer Derek Barr and Inv. Don Barker
Ithaca College	Sgt. William Chapin
Ithaca Police Dept.	Officer David Amaro, Sgt. Barry Banfield, Inv. Jeff Huddle Sgt. Derek Necheporek

Cornell University	Lt. David Nazer
Sheriff's Dept.	Deputy Sheriff Jami Pier
Ithaca Police Dept.	Inv. Fred Myers
NYSP	Tpr. John Pensyl

2014– Frank G. Hammer Officer of the Month Award Recipients

Ithaca Police Dept.	Jeffrey Huddle
Sheriff's Dept.	Matthew Haselman
Ithaca College	Laura Durling
Cornell University	Lt. Daniel Murphy, Sgt. Anthony Bellamy, Inv. Daniel Gonzalez, Inv. Denise Schulze, Inv. Stanley Slovik, Inv. Charles Alridge
Cornell University	Off. Michael Scott, Off. William Carpenter, Inv. Daniel Conzalez, Off. Jodi Bizari, Off. Vanessa Bentley, Off. Christopher Schmidt, Off. Michael Breeching
Sheriff's Dept.	Sgt. Mark Miller, Offs. Robert Butcher, Jay Barrett and John Talcott
Trumansburg Police	Lt. Randy Haus
Dept.	
Ithaca Police Dept.	Offs. Derrick Moore, Kevin Slattery, Chris Cady, and Thomas Dupay, Inv. Michael Gray, Inv. Don Barker
NYSP	Tpr. James Moscato
Ithaca Police Dept. /Ithaca College	Off. Jamie Williamson & Off. Eric Willman

2013– Frank G. Hammer Officer of the Month Award Recipients

Ithaca Police Dept.	Officer Anthony Augustine
Ithaca College	Sgt. Hightchew, Officer Teribury, Officer Johnson
NYSP	Zone Sgt. Edward Abruzzo

Ithaca College	Sgt. Tom Dunn, MPO Chris Teribury, Off Bob Jones, Off Bruce Thomas
Cornell University	Crime Prevention Off. Bev. Vancleef & Lisa Vanhorn
Sheriff's Dept.	Dep. Matt Skeval
Ithaca Police Dept.	Sgt Jacob Young
DA's Office	ADA Andrew M. McElwee
NYSP	Lt. Daniel E. Hodack

2012– Frank G. Hammer Officer of the Month Award Recipients

Sheriff's Dept.	Sgt. Gerald Surine, Officer Nichole Gunn, Officer Marc Ninivaggi, officer Matthew Day, Officer Nathan Bowles, Officer Matthew Haney
Cornell University	K-9 Officer Kevin Noterfonzo & K-9 Reggie
Ithaca College	Steven Yapple
NYSP	NYSP Troop "C" Forensic Identification Unit
Cornell University	Inv. Denis Schulze & Officer Eric Stickel
Sheriff's Dept.	Corrections Officers Alan Boda & Nathan Bowles
NYSP	Tpr. Paul Turo

2011– Frank G. Hammer Officer of the Month Award Recipients

Ithaca Police Dept.	Officer Donald Berich
Sheriff's Dept.	Officer Chad Lansing
Cornell University	Officer Richard Curtiss
NYSP	Tpr. Seth J. Littlejohn
Cornell University	Officer Donald Norman
Ithaca College	Dep. Aaron Thompson
Sheriff's Dept.	Sgt. Lewis Warner & Tpr. William Drake

Ithaca Police Dept.	Inv. Michael Gray, Lt. Michael Watkins, Officer Sara Crews, Officer Patrick Kimmich, Officer Carl Hubbell, Officer David Amaro, Officer Robert Dupay, Officer John Joly, and Deputy Steven Moracco
NYSP	Tpr. Deanna Petrillo
Ithaca Police Dept.	Sgt. Terry O'Pray and PO Jay VanVolkinburg

2010– Frank G. Hammer Officer of the Month Award Recipients

Sheriff's Dept.	Corrections Officer Jeff Potter
Ithaca Police Dept.	Officer Scott Hoffman
	Patrol Officer Blair MacDonald
Ithaca Police Dept.	Patrol Officer Thomas Condzella
NYSP	Inv. Richard Haas, Inv. Richard Prunier, Jr., Inv. Aaron Lewis
NYS Park Police	Officer Gerald Lewis, Jr.
Ithaca College	Master Patrol Officer Erik Merlin
Sheriff's Dept.	Deputies Colin Hillman, Damian Gunningsmith, James Vann and Parker Freshwater
Cayuga Heights	Officers Jerry Wright and Pete Walker
Ithaca Police Dept.	Officer Brandon Goldsberry
NYSP	Captain Lawrence Jackmin
Sheriff's Dept.	Sheriff Peter Meskill

2009– Frank G. Hammer Officer of the Month Award Recipients

Ithaca Police Dept.	Officer Christopher Miller
Sheriff's Dept.	Kim Moore - I.T.S
	Special Investigation Unit
Cornell University	Crime Prevention Officer George Sutfin

NYSP	Tpr. Mikhail Wolchetsky
Cornell University	Chief Curtis S. Ostrander
Ithaca College	Officer Bruce Holmstock
Sheriff's Dept.	Dep. Peter Walker & Sgt. Daniel Donahue
Sheriff's Dept.	Capt. Derek Osborne
NYSP	Tpr. Benjamin Emery
Sheriff's Dept.	Dep. Gerald Hoffman

2008– Frank G. Hammer Officer of the Month Award Recipients

Ithaca Police Dept.	Investigator Donald Barker
Sheriff's Dept.	Captain Mark Dresser
Cornell University	Sgt. Daniel N. Murphy, Jr.
Ithaca College	Patrol Officer Michael Hall
NYSP	Tpr. Matthew Meyers
Sheriff's Dept.	Dep. Mark Jones & Damian Gunningsmith
Ithaca Police Dept.	Officer Dana Haff
Ithaca College	Director Robert Holt
Sheriff's Dept.	Officer Ryan Slocum
NYSP	Inv. Richard Prunier
Sheriff's Dept.	Dep. Timothy Rumsey

2007– Frank G. Hammer Officer of the Month Award Recipients

Ithaca Police Dept.	Officer Scott Garin
Sheriff's Dept.	Dep. Ron Ostrander
Cornell University	Officer Anthony Bellamy

Ithaca College	Sgt. Inv. Thomas Dunn
Ithaca Police Dept.	Off. Kevin McKenna & Off. Dana Haff
NYSP	Zone Sgt Kelly Daley
Sheriff's Dept.	Corrections Off. David Norman
Ithaca Police Dept.	Sgt. Douglas Wright
Cornell University	Patrol Officer Timothy Marsh
Cayuga Heights	Chief Kenneth Lansing
NYSP	Tpr. Quentin Giles
Sheriff's Dept.	Dep. Dawn Caulkins

2006– Frank G. Hammer Officer of the Month Award Recipients

Ithaca Police Dept.	Sr. Dep. Chief Randolph Haus
Sheriff's Dept.	Dep. Timothy Rumsey
Cornell University	Patrol Officers O'Hara, Payne & Bowman
Ithaca College	Patrol Officer Erik Merlin
NYSP	Inv. Michael Soroka & Tpr. Ryan Smith
NYSP	Tpr. Benjamin Emery
Sheriff's Dept.	A-Line Shift of Deputies
Ithaca Police Dept.	Sgt. Christopher Townsend
Cornell University	Patrol Officer Ronald Rogers
NYSP	Tpr. Deana Petrillo
Sheriff's Dept.	Corporal William Shaff

2005– Frank G. Hammer Officer of the Month Award Recipients

Ithaca Police Dept.	Inv. Brian Robison
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Sheriff's Dept.	Inv. Derek Osborne
Cornell University	Inv. Scott Hamilton
Ithaca College	Officer Richard Curtiss
Parole	Parole Officer Edward Wijkowski
NYSP	Tpr. William Stanbro
Sheriff's Dept.	Dep. Kevin Cowen
Ithaca Police Dept.	Inv. Jeffrey Huddle
	Environmental Officer Jim Milewski
Ithaca College	Sgt. Ron Hart & Master PO Terry O'Pray
NYSP	Sr. Inv. Arthur Daniels (Ozzie)
Sheriff's Dept.	Inv. Richard Tubbs

2004 – Frank G. Hammer Officer of the Month Award Recipients

Ithaca Police Dept.	Officer Matthew Pagliaro
Sheriff's Dept.	Sgt. Brett George
Cornell University	Investigator Karen Smith
Ithaca College	Officer William Kerry
NYSP	Sgt. Michael Compton
NYSP	Sgt. Bob Lampman
Sheriff's Dept.	Officer Michael Koval
IPD	Tpr. Raymond "Tom" Roberts
Ithaca College	Assistant Director Norman Wall
NYSP	Tpr. Marc Hickey
Sheriff's Dept.	Corrections Sgt. Denise Norman

2003 – Frank G. Hammer Officer of the Month Award Recipients

Ithaca Police Dept.	Officer R. Scott Hoffman
Sheriff's Dept.	Corrections Sgt. Jeff Potter
Cornell University	Sgt. Jeffery Montesano & Canine Officer Sabre
Ithaca Police Dept.	Sgt. Ronald Hart
NYSP	Tpr. Clay Lattimer
	Officer Michael Keegan
Sheriff's Dept.	Deputy Gerry Hoffman
Ithaca Police Dept.	Inv. Michael Gray
Ithaca Police Dept.	Officer Kurt Soderholm
Ithaca Police Dept.	Officer Jeffrey Cole
NYSP	Tpr. Craig Sincina
Sheriff's Dept.	Correction Lieutenant Ray Bunce

2002 – Frank G. Hammer Officer of the Month Award Recipients

Ithaca Police Dept.	Officer Richard Cotton
Sheriff's Dept.	Dep. Dawn Caulkins
Cornell University	Sgt. Charles Howard
Ithaca College	Master Patrol Officer Terry O'Pray
DA's Office	DA George M. Dentes
NYSP	Tpr. Kenneth Ruland
Sheriff's Dept.	Corrections Officer Darwin Smith
IPD	Officer Melissa Harman
	Stop DWI Coordinator John Beach
	Environmental Conservation Off. Marvin Mobbs

NYSP	Inv. Michael Young
Sheriff's Dept.	Dep. Shane Spencer

2001 – Frank G. Hammer Officer of the Month Award Recipients

Ithaca Police Dept.	Sgt. James Herson
Sheriff's Dept.	Dep. Dawn Caulkins
Cornell University	PO Robert W. Payne
Ithaca College	PO Kevin Cowen
Sheriff's Dept.	Dep. Gary Teeter
NYSP	Tpr. Gary F. Sheely, Jr.
Sheriff's Dept.	Sgt. Gerry Surine
Ithaca Police Dept.	PO Christopher Miller
NYS Parole	Parole Officer Edward Wijkowski
NYS Park Police	Forest Ranger Norm Jensen
NYSP	Tpr. Robert A. Kidder
Sheriff's Dept.	Sr. Inv. Mark Dresser

2000- Frank G. Hammer Officer of the Month Award Recipients

Sheriff's Dept.	Dep. Joseph Manning
Cornell University	Lt. Blenman & Sgt. MacHenry
Ithaca College	PO Frederick R. Thomas
Groton Police Dept.	PO Jon Loudermilk
NYSP	Tpr. Daniel J. Buchy
Sheriff's Dept	Dep. Scott Ferris
Ithaca Police Dept.	Sgt. Douglas Martin

Cornell University	PO Christopher O'Hara
Sheriff's Dept.	Sgt. Brad Covert
NYSP	Tpr. James J. Wilkinson
Sheriff's Dept.	Dep. John Denmark

1999 – Frank G. Hammer Officer of the Month Award Recipients

Cornell University	PO Ellen F. Brewer
Ithaca College	Sgt. Keith Lee
Sheriff's Dept.	Sgt. Jeffrey Norman
NYSP	Chr. Louis Withiam (911)
Sheriff's Dept.	Sgt. Debra L. Niemi
Ithaca Police Dept.	PO Christine Barksdale
Freeville	Sgt. Byron Vazile
Cornell University	PO Ronald J. Rogers
NYSP	Sgt. Joseph P. Vitale
Sheriff's Dept.	Undersheriff Randy Haus

1998 - Frank G. Hammer Officer of the Month Award Recipients

Ithaca Police Dept.	Inv. Michael Gray
911 Center	Coor. John "Jack" Miller
Cornell University	PO David M. Honan
Sheriff's Dept.	PO Dawn Caulkins
NYSP	Inv. Jeffrey Dorward
Sheriff's Dept.	Sr. Inv. Mark Dresser
Ithaca Police Dept.	Hostage Negotiating Team

Ithaca Police Dept.	Inv. Marlon Byrd, Inv. Michael Gray & Sgt. Beau Saul
Ithaca Police Dept.	PO Randall Sterling
Cayuga Heights	Chief David Wall
NYSP	Zone Sgt. Frederick Bahner
Sheriff's Dept.	Dep. Michael St. Angelo

1997 - Frank G. Hammer Officer of the Month Award Recipients

Ithaca Police Dept.	In Memory of Inv. Michael Padula
Cornell University	Inv. Karen Smith
Ithaca College	PO Jamie Masclee
Dryden Police Dept.	PO Margaret Ryan
NYSP	Tpr. Michael O'Connell
Ithaca Police Dept.	PO John Curatolo
Ithaca Police Dept.	PO David Lanning, Jr.
Ithaca Police Dept.	PO David Barnes
NYSP	Tpr. Richard Haas
Ithaca Police Dept.	Sgt. Keith Loson

1996 - Frank G. Hammer Officer of the Month Award Recipients

Ithaca Police Dept.	PO John Curatolo
Cornell University	PO George Sutfine
Cornell University	PO Richard Brewer
Ithaca College	PO R. Dirk Hightchew
NYSP	C.N.E.T
NYSP	Tpr. Daniel Huff

Ithaca Police Dept.	Sgt. Timothy Williams
Ithaca Police Dept.	Inv. Brian Robison
NYSP	Cpt. William Foley
Sheriff's Dept.	Inv. John Payne

1995 - Frank G. Hammer Officer of the Month Award Recipients

Ithaca Police Dept.	Inv. Michael Padula
	Lt. Larry Davis
Ithaca College	Inv. Laura Surine
Ithaca Police Dept.	PO Clifford Ducey, Jr.
NYSP	Tpr. Michael Macinerney
Sheriff's Dept.	Dep. Scott Ferris

1994 - Frank G. Hammer Officer of the Month Award Recipients

Sheriff's Dept.	PO David Buck
Sheriff's Dept.	PO Gregory Vestal
Cayuga Heights	Sgt. Kenneth Lansing
Cornell University	PO Phil Mospan
Trumansburg	PO Thomas Schlee
Ithaca Police Dept.	PO Michael Watkins
	Sgt. Richard Smith
Ithaca Police Dept.	PO Christopher Deperno
NYSP	Tpr. Kelly Ellison
NYSP	Inv. Michael Conroy
Sheriff's Dept.	Sgt. Calvin Nobels, Jr.

1993 - Frank G. Hammer Officer of the Month Award Recipients

Ithaca Police Dept.	PO Francis Brackin
Cayuga Heights	PO Thomas Boyce
Cornell University	Inv. Scott Hamilton
Cayuga Heights	PO James Steinmetz
Ithaca Police Dept.	PO Jay VanVolkinburg
NYSP	Tpr. Richard Haas

1991-1992 – Frank G. Hammer Officer of the Month Award Recipients

NYSP	Tpr. Blair Hoover
Sheriff's Dept.	Inv. Mark Dresser
Ithaca Police Dept.	Capt. John Betts
Cayuga Heights	PO Mark Vann
Ithaca Police Dept.	POs Alexander Gair & Judy Kite
Ithaca College	PO Thomas Dunn
NYSP	Tpr. Robert Drabicki
Sheriff's Dept.	Dep. Ivan Jiminez
Ithaca Police Dept.	Sgt. John Curatolo
Sheriff's Dept.	Inv. Daniel Drew