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**NG911 Institute Announces 16<sup>th</sup> Annual 911 Honor Award Winners; NG911 Technology Showcase Agenda**

*FCC Commissioner Brendan Carr and NTIA Administrator David Redl to join NG911 Institute in recognizing public safety, industry and government leaders*

Washington, DC - The Next Generation 911 Institute (NG911 Institute) is pleased to announce the winners of the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual 911 Honor Awards:

- **Industry Professional:** Ryan Jensen, T-Mobile, Monument CO
- **911 Public Safety Professional:** Kayla Riler, California Highway Patrol, Stockton CA
- **Government Leader:** Bruce Wood, Kaufman County, Kaufman TX
- **NG911 Awareness:** Melinda Crockom, Commission on State Emergency Communications, Austin TX
- **Outstanding 911 Call Center/Program:** Augusta-Richmond County 911, Augusta GA
- **Citizen in Action:** Austin Currey, Maple Valley WA

“Millions of people dial 911 every year seeking assistance during emergencies, and the public safety community is there to take their call,” said Joe Marx, NG911 Institute Chair. “Through our 911 Honors Awards, the Institute acknowledges the exceptional contributions by public safety professionals, elected officials and industry partners to the field of public safety. These award winners exemplify the highest levels of dedication and professionalism, and their contributions to public safety and emergency response are among the reasons why our Nations’ 911 system is the finest in the world.”

**[About the 911 Honor Awards Reception](#)**

The 911 Honor Awards reception is an annual event to honor 911 heroes and leaders. The Co-Chairs of the Congressional Next Gen 911 Caucus (Reps. Shimkus and Eshoo and Senators Burr and Klobuchar) and other Members of Congress and federal government officials will join 911 leaders from across the country at the event with keynote remarks from FCC Commissioner Brendan Carr and David Redl, Administrator of the National Telecommunications and

Information Administration (NTIA). The awards reception will be held on **Wednesday, February 13, 2019 from 5:00pm to 8:00pm in the Foyer of the Rayburn House Office Building – presentation of awards to begin at 6:00pm.** For more information and to register, visit <https://www.ng911institute.org/16annual>.

### **[About the NG911 Technology Showcase](#)**

The following day, **Thursday, February, 14, from 10:00am to 3:00pm in Room 2044-2046 of the Rayburn House Office Building**, the Institute is hosting the **NG911 Technology Showcase**.

Leading technologists and government leaders will discuss developments in technology and NG911 systems that promise to fundamentally transform emergency response in America.

Technology presentations will be made by West Safety Services, NGA 911, Uber, INdigital, RapidSOS, Motorola Solutions, Mission Critical Partners, Rapid Deploy and Hamilton. For more information and to register, visit <https://www.ng911institute.org/technology-showcase>.

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### **About the NG911 Institute**

The NG911 Institute ([www.ng911institute.org](http://www.ng911institute.org)) is a not-for-profit organization, which supports the efforts of the Congressional NextGen 911 Caucus. The mission of the NG911 Institute is to assist the Congressional NextGen 911 Caucus by serving as a broad educational resource on issues important to the effective operation and advancement of NG911 services and systems. The overarching objective of the Institute is to advance the rapid implementation of NG911 in order to promote more effective emergency response, improve public safety, and advance national security interests. To this end, the Institute seeks to educate Congressional Members and staff on issues that may impact timely and effective NG911 implementation.