



VILLAGE OF PINECREST
Press Release

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Pinecrest Police recognized 9 times by MADD for impaired driving enforcement in 2014

Pinecrest, FL – Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) has recognized the Pinecrest Police Department nine times for impaired driving enforcement, with awards that include placing first for 2014 MADD Florida Outstanding Dedication to DUI Enforcement and the 2014 MADD Florida Century Achiever Award given to Officer Edison Cruz.

In 2014, Pinecrest police officers arrested 124 impaired drivers in the Village. In three years, the department's DUI program has risen to be one of the best and most respected in state. It has gathered national attention in Congress and has been praised by a top National Highway Traffic Safety Administration official.

Officer Cruz became Pinecrest's first Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) in more than 10 years and manages the department's DUI program.

"It gives me great honor to be part of department that has excelled in enforcing DUI enforcement laws," said Cruz, who was awarded MADD's top recognition, the Robbie Smith Award in 2012. "How many lives were saved we will never know, but if only one life was saved it was well worth it."

AWARDS:

Village of Pinecrest

2014 MADD Florida Outstanding Dedication to DUI Enforcement Small/Rural Agency 1st Place

Chief Samuel Ceballos

2014 MADD South Florida Recognition of Distinction

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Lieutenant Derrick Bowman

2014 MADD South Florida Recognition of Distinction

2014 MADD Florida Outstanding Dedication to DUI Enforcement Individual Nominee

DRE Officer Edison Cruz

2014 MADD South Florida William Craig Top DRE Award

2014 MADD Florida Century Achiever

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2014 MADD Florida Officer of the Year Nominee

Officer Shirley Verde

2014 MADD South Florida Enforcement Award of Honor

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