

Jim Jones Receives Governor's Award

Jim Jones of Southeastern Technical College was among Georgians recognized for contributions to the profession of public safety by Governor Brian Kemp.

Jones serves as emergency services education program director at Southeastern Technical College.

Governor Kemp gave a keynote address at the Governor's Public Safety Awards Ceremony in Forsyth, congratulated Jones on being selected as a recipient of the 2022 Governor's Public Safety Award, and recognized Jones for his dedication and selfless work in the Georgia public safety profession.

Three public safety professionals were commended for outstanding contributions to their profession, which had overwhelmingly positive effects on the overall profession.

"It has been an honor to serve my community and the state of Georgia as a paramedic and EMS educator for the last 32 years. To be recognized for my service and to be selected for the Governor's Public Service Award was a very special moment in my life that will never be forgotten. I would like to thank Toombs-Montgomery EMS and Southeastern Technical College for allowing me to develop and practice my skills and knowledge in my classroom, community, and state," said Jones.

Teresa Coleman, Vice President for Academic Affairs, said, "Jim Jones is the epitome of the type of person for whom this award was created because he has devoted his life to public service and emergency education. During his career at Southeastern Technical College, he has trained hundreds of EMTs, AEMTs, and Paramedics, thus improving the lives of the citizens in our community as well as communities close to Vidalia, one graduate at a time. I am so thankful for his hard

work, commitment, and dedication to Southeastern Technical College and our students, and I am humbled to call him my friend.”

“The public safety profession is the cornerstone for an orderly society. It is a great honor to recognize these public safety professionals,” said Chris Wigginton, GPSTC Director.

The recipients received plaques and their names were added to the GPSA monument located inside the Georgia Public Safety Training Center (GPSTC).

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