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## NEWS RELEASE

### **Papillion Fire Department Presents Life Saving Awards**

PAPILLION, Nebraska, March 3, 2016 – Several members of the Papillion Fire Department recently received the department’s Emergency Medical Services Life Saving Award. The award recognizes personnel who played a role in saving someone’s life during EMS calls in 2015.

PFD personnel who received the Emergency Medical Services Life Saving Award are:

**A shift:** Dave Bahl, Bret Desh, Carol Gupton, Clayton Kulhanek, Nick Leach, Mike McKinnis, Brian O’Shea, Phil Pratt, Marty Price, Jay Sagherian, Ryan Twohig and Matt Watson.

**B shift:** Aaron Anderson and Paul Rupp.

**C shift:** Ryan Bailey, Bob Engberg, Jeff Jones, Todd Moffett, Jeremy Orr, Todd Remmers, Jason Schendt, Anthony Strawn and Matt Sullivan.

“Scenes at which CPR is performed are among the most complicated and stressful for our crews. It truly takes a team effort to respond effectively,” said Chief Bill Bowes. “Our firefighters and paramedics did a great job last year on these calls. Our goal now is to continue to improve even more.”

During 2015, PFD transported 35 patients who were in cardiac arrest. Of those 35, eight survived to be discharged from the hospital and are alive today — a 22.8 percent save rate, more than twice the national average of 10 percent.

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