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## Champions of safety celebrated at Vision Zero Partner Conference

GRAND FORKS, N.D. – The Vision Zero Partner Conference celebrated North Dakota's top traffic safety champions Wednesday in Bismarck, recognizing those who go above and beyond to keep our roads safe.

Each year, the event shines a spotlight on individuals whose exceptional commitment and leadership support Vision Zero's bold mission: to eliminate motor vehicle crash fatalities and serious injuries across North Dakota.

The 2025 Grand Forks region winners are in the following categories:

- **Beyond the Traffic Stop Award** – This award honors officers who used outstanding investigative skills that led to multiple arrests for narcotics, stolen property and/or outstanding warrants from a single routine traffic stop.
  - Sergeant Aaron Davidson, Grand Forks County Sheriff's Office
  - Corporal Matthew Kippley, Grand Forks Police Department
- **Child Passenger Safety Award** – This award recognizes Child Passenger Safety Technicians and/or instructors for their commitment to child passenger safety.
  - Corporal Abby Brown, Grand Forks Police Department
  - Trooper Nevon Heisler, North Dakota Highway Patrol

The two-day conference brings together representatives from law enforcement, transportation, engineering, public health and other traffic safety partners from across North Dakota to explore critical topics and innovative strategies aimed at saving lives on our roadways.

The Vision Zero Partner Conference is hosted by the North Dakota Department of Transportation and made possible thanks to Vision Zero sponsors Hess Corporation, Chord Energy, AAA – The Auto Club Group, Northern States Fishing Tools, Bolton & Menk, Stantec, OneOk, Luther Family Ford, Key Energy Services, Puklich, Bartlett & West, Minnkota Power Cooperative, Ace 24 Hour Towing, Apex Engineering Group, Harvestone, LCP and Ryan Family Dealerships.

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