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SLMPD Receives IALEP 2015 Phil E. Keith Project of the Year Award *Real Time Crime Center Awarded Project of the Year*

St. Louis, Mo. - Today, Chief Sam Dotson announced the Metropolitan Police Department's Real Time Crime Center (RTCC) is the recipient of the International Association of Law Enforcement Planners (IALEP) 2015 Phil E. Keith Project of the Year Award. This award is presented annually to an organization that demonstrates a unique, beneficial and valued project, program or initiative to the law enforcement profession and recognizes outstanding achievements amongst peer agencies. The department was presented the award at the IALEP yearly conference in Arlington, Texas.

In April, the department unveiled the RTCC which contains state-of-the-art technology to help identify and distribute information to officers in the field before crimes occur, during incidents and in support of active investigations. The RTCC includes a video wall that allows viewing access to over 140 cameras located throughout the City of St. Louis. The RTCC is staffed with analysts 24-hours a day and serves as the department's Command Post. The new technology center allows the department to have better-focused resources to deter and combat crime.

IALEP consists of people working in the area of planning and research for criminal justice agencies. IALEP has nearly 1,000 members from around the world. Members hail from Australia, Bulgaria, Kuwait, Canada, Dominican Republic, Guam, Guatemala, Hong Kong, Iceland, Panama, Philippines, Slovakia, South Africa and the United States. IALEP, based upon cooperation, shares information about the latest innovations, issues, problems and solutions confronting criminal justice today. IALEP serves as a forum to exchange ideas, programs, techniques and policies. It also sponsors a standard and advanced level certification for planners.

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