



To: Members of the Shared Services Emergency Communications Center
From: Kenneth Cop, VP Public Safety/Chief of RUPD
Date: April 18, 2024
RE: National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week

In honor of National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week and in recognition of your commitment, service, and sacrifice, I would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank you for the essential support you provide to the Rutgers Public Safety Division and our partner agencies. Under the leadership of Director McLelland and Assistant Director Kole, you are charged with one of the most critical services in a police department. Your ability to navigate the various systems required to perform your duties while interacting with the public during their most vulnerable and stressful circumstances does not go unnoticed. On a day-to-day basis, you contribute to officer safety and ensure that callers' needs are met. You operate in a communications center unlike any other in the nation.

While this week reminds us all to express our gratitude, please know that we recognize your efforts and the exemplary service that you provide to the communities that you serve every day of the year. In entering this profession, you answered a selfless call to service that requires courage, fortitude, and unwavering dedication to public safety. I am proud of every one of you for supporting one another and working tirelessly to ensure that we fulfill our mission. Despite the challenges that this career brings, you remain resolute in putting forth your best effort. You are an indispensable asset to this division, and I hope that this week's special activities organized by your leadership remind you that you are valued, respected, and appreciated.

With sincerity and on behalf of the chiefs of our partner agencies, thank you for all that you do to keep our communities and our officers safe!

Sincerely,

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A/Chief Linne' Getsinger, RUPD-Camden
Chief Carmelo V. Huertas, Jr., RUPD-Newark
Chief Vincent Sabo, New Brunswick Police Department
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