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## DEPARTMENT ADVISORY 2018-2019 #1

**TO:** All Camp Commanders  
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**FROM:** W. Faron Taylor, Department Commander *W. Faron Taylor*  
**SUBJECT:** SUVCW ROTC / JROTC Award

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On May 2, 2018 I published Department Order No. 3, establishing a ROTC Awards Coordinator as an effort to expand the SUVCW ROTC / JROTC Award program within the service area of the Department of the Chesapeake. This high-visibility program is of great interest to me and I hope to you and your Camp as well. While I am not interested in promoting the program simply for the sake of expansion, I envision us reaching out to every high school and college with an ROTC program, telling them who we are and offering an opportunity to recognize deserving cadets. In return we are recognized by the cadet, his/her peers, faculty, parents and friends. This program is an opportunity to further make our presence known in every community we serve.

There are no charges incurred by the **camp or school** when participating in the program; the only investment is time. The energy you or your designated representative puts into contacting schools, ordering awards, coordinating presentations and follow-up will be worth it when the award changes hands. Whether you are the presenter or recipient, pride and satisfaction accompany recognition. It is our privilege as presenter to look a cadet in the eye, present the award, shake hands and congratulate them for a job well done.

Aide de Camp ROTC Award Coordinator Brother Roger Leturno has provided each of you the tools you need to build a successful program. If you have not already started, **make contact with your schools now**. Every school wants their deserving cadets recognized. They won't turn down your offer - all you need do is ask. ROTC Cadre are already planning their school's awards presentations and ceremonies usually begin late March and continue into June. Awards can be ordered by completing the application available on the national website: <http://www.suvcw.org/ROTC Program> and emailing it to George Shadman, Assistant Quartermaster. Medals and certificates are in the mail within 48 hours.

Although I realize schedules and travel distances may preclude Camp representatives from personally presenting awards to every school, this should not deter us from contacting schools and providing assistance in acquiring the award.

All questions or concerns about this program should be directed to Brother Roger Leturno: [rleturno@msn.com](mailto:rleturno@msn.com) or 719-650-8135.