



Sheriff Larry Smith

PROVEN TRUSTED LEADERSHIP YOU CAN COUNT ON



- 2014 Sheriff's Association of Texas President's Award – recognized by his peers “for honorable conduct and service, for his outstanding support of and cooperation with the Sheriffs’ Association of Texas, and for his commitment to unselfish service to the people of the State of Texas.”
- 2013 Liberty Bell Award from the Smith County Bar Association – “given to an outstanding non-lawyer in Smith County who has made the most selfless contribution to strengthen the effectiveness of the American system of justice in his or her community.”
- 2014 Mothers Against Drunk Drivers Difference Maker Award – “given to someone who has made a positive difference in the fight against drunk driving and underage drinking.”
- 2014 The National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution Law Enforcement Commendation Medal in recognition of outstanding achievement and dedication to the maintenance of law and order.
- Put more deputies on the streets & rural county roads
- Improved patrol response time to calls for service
- Increased transparency within the Sheriff's Office
- Earned a 100% homicide clearance rate since taking office January, 2013; working cold cases
- Successfully curtailed crime & corruption inside the Sheriff's Office
- Implemented a Chaplain program for Sheriff's Office employees
- Held 16 town hall meetings in all parts of Smith County
- Improved relationships with other local, state & federal law enforcement agencies
- Raised expectations & accountability for Sheriff's Office employees; will not accept mediocrity or status quo attitudes
- Proved he will not take the path of least resistance, but will stand up for what is right
- Proved he believes the rule of law applies to everyone – no matter who they are
- Provided relevant training for officers on growing threat from cartels and transnational gangs
- Held community awareness training on human trafficking & organized crime threat from cartels & transnational gangs
- Testified before state senate committee to support increased border security & enforcement of immigration laws to curtail illegal immigration, human trafficking, drug trade & cartel/gang activity
- Demonstrated he is an avid and strong supporter of the 2nd Amendment
- Provided Constitutional training for his command staff
- Demonstrated that he uses the Holy Bible and the U.S. and Texas Constitutions as guides to conduct Sheriff's Office business
- Built highly experienced, professional, and competent command staff
- Consistently demonstrated his belief that the Sheriff's job is to protect the life, liberty and property of all citizens

