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PHOTO CAPTION (l-r): EMT Tim Busby is pictured with County Administrator John Hofstad and Public Safety Director Dino Villani at the Okaloosa County Commission Meeting where he was presented with the Okaloosa County HERO Award. (HERO: Humanitarian Efforts Recognized by Okaloosa County)

Okaloosa County EMT Recipient of a HERO Award

Tim Busby, Emergency Medical Technician (EMT), was transporting a patient to the University of Alabama-Birmingham Medical Center when he witnessed a near head on collision. He was presented with the HERO award at the March 17 County Commission Meeting for his care of the patient he was transporting, along with four patients from the accident.

By keeping a calm demeanor and thinking clearly, Busby was able to request the proper resources to respond, assists the two medical helicopters and two ground units responding to the scene, pass on an excellent report to the local incident command and care for the patients. He provided vital information needed to facilitate transport of the patients to trauma centers in the area.

The Humanitarian Efforts Recognized by Okaloosa County (HERO) award recognizes employees who not only go beyond the scope of what his or her job entails, but has done something of a humanitarian or heroic nature. The HERO Award can include acts occurring outside work hours and submissions by people outside Okaloosa County staff. Above and Beyond forms are available online at www.okaloosaf.com or you may contact 311 Citizen Information Line for more information or to recognize an Okaloosa County employee.

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