Matthew Simeone was a distinguished 24-year member of the Nassau County Police Department (NCPD) in New York. Prior to his untimely death in 2009, he was the Command Officer of the Police Commissioner’s Community Affairs Unit and a highly respected private sector liaison. An active ASIS Law Enforcement Liaison Council (LELC) member he spearheaded the NCPD Security / Police Information Network titled “SPIN” by working closely with ASIS security leaders, the ASIS Long Island Chapter, NCPD, NYPD and the Suffolk County Police Department. SPIN, a two-way communication P3 network, brings together public sector (law enforcement and non-law enforcement) agencies and private sector security.

The award is modeled on a similar annual award presented by the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP), Private Sector Liaison Committee (PSLC), with which the LELC is proud to partner to strengthen public safety.

Inspector Matthew J. Simeone, Jr.

Matthew Simeone Grant for Public Private Partnership Excellence

Presented by the Law Enforcement Liaison Community and the ASIS Foundation
Matthew Simeone P3 Grant

The Matthew Simeone Grant for Public Private Partnerships recognizes outstanding achievement by members of an ASIS chapter in advocacy, development, implementation, and practice of public private cooperation for public safety.

Commencing in 2011, the award showcases an ASIS chapter’s law enforcement—public private security partnership to address crime prevention, antiterrorism, public safety issues and other difficult challenges.

ASIS chapters that work with public private partnerships (P3) are invited to apply. Sharing your success with members of the LELC extends the reach of your efforts, giving others an example to follow in tackling issues that can best be solved by private and public agencies working together.

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Eligibility

The award will be presented to a public / private partnership between a full-service law enforcement agency and a private organization that demonstrably improves public safety and private security. Entrants must be nominated by an ASIS chapter and will be awarded jointly, not individually.

The P3 must be currently active and have been in operation for at least one year. The private organization’s contribution must be on a voluntary basis, not a commercial endeavor such as a security guard contract. Other conditions to consider are:

- Does the project or program present an innovative approach to enhancing public safety and private security?
- Does the program demonstrate potential for permanence or longevity?
- Can its success be measured by well-developed quality assurance standards and performance metrics?
- How effectively and how often do the participants communicate and share information?
- Do the participants demonstrate executive leadership?
- Can this program be replicated and implemented by other organizations?

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Criteria

Nominees will be evaluated based on the significance of the contribution with regard to the following criteria:

- Explain how a specific safety and/or security problem was resolved by submitting a “Statement of Problem” and a “Statement of Solution” description.
- How does this cooperative effort increase public safety and private security?
- Describe how the project addresses specific issues and problems and how the joint project or program successfully resolved the identified issues and problems.
- Is there proportional investment, input, and leadership among all agencies and organizations participating?

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The Matthew Simeone Grant is announced at the ASIS Global Security Exchange (GSX) held in the fall each year.

Applications will be accepted online from 1 February to 15 April. Go to the ASIS Foundation website at: asisfoundation.org then scroll down to Scholarship and Grant Opportunities to apply.