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Ohio Department of Public Safety Receives 2015 Award for Creation of Swipe to Donate Life Project

COLUMBUS – The Ohio Department of Public Safety (ODPS) will receive the “Outstanding Information Technology Achievement in Government” award from Government Computer News (GCN) for the creation of the Swipe to Donate Life project.

The Swipe to Donate Life project was developed by the ODPS Information Technology Office (ITO) in 2014 in response to the time consuming registration process to become an organ donor. ODPS ITO developed a mobile-compliant organ registration web site that could be properly displayed on a portable device, including a card swipe reader. This process allows an Ohio driver license or identification card to be swiped, auto-populating the online donor registration form, thus eliminating the need to input information manually. To date, Swipe to Donate Life has been utilized at Ohio State University football games, the Ohio State Fair, health fairs and other public events.

ODPS was selected from more than 130 nominations based on the degree to which a given IT project transformed an agency’s ability to operate more efficiently or serve the public more effectively.

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