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Seattle rescue unit receives national award



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The Seattle unit of the Mountain Rescue Council today received the Public Safety Distinguished Service to Safety Award, the National Safety Council announced.

Gerald A. Newgard, board member and past chairman of the council accepted the award at a luncheon today in Chicago.

The award was given because of the council's contribution to focusing public attention on hypothermia and its impact on outdoor recreationists. The council, with the aid of a Safeco Insurance Co. grant, made a widely distributed film on hypothermia, which details the effects of cold and exhauston on people.