

## **AFSCME Honors Local 391 Member**

Congratulations to Michael Whitehead of Local 391 of Council 4, who was honored by AFSCME Corrections United as National Correction Officer of the Year at ACU's biennial [Public Safety Congress](#) that took place Sept. 16-18 in Houston.

ACU honored Whitehead for his role in saving the life of fellow correctional officer Peter Kuhlmann after an inmate with a history of assaults on staff attacked Kuhlmann with a handmade weapon tipped with a razor. Whitehead and Kuhlmann work at Northern Correctional Institution in Somers, the state's super-max facility.

[Click here](#) for the Vernon Patch story about Whitehead and Kuhlmann.



L-R: DOC Commissioner Leo Arnone, Jr., ACU Deputy Director Michael Marette and Local 391's Michael Whitehead. Picture courtesy of State DOC.