



“Some people *go* through experiences, other people *grow* through experiences.”

— **Bob Delaney**

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## **BOB DELANEY TO ADDRESS TAMPA LAW ENFORCEMENT JAN. 19; SPEAKS TO VETERANS AT ROAD TO RECOVERY CONFERENCE AND TRIBUTE AT DISNEY WORLD**

JAN. 10 – Veteran NBA official Bob Delaney will speak to members of the Tampa Police Department and Hillsborough County Sheriff’s Office on Wednesday, Jan. 19 on the topic of “Understanding Post-Traumatic Stress for Those Who Serve.” The Tampa Police Department tragically lost two officers in the line of duty in June 2010. Delaney, a former New Jersey State Trooper who infiltrated the Mafia in the 1970s, will give a morning presentation from 9-10:30 a.m. and another in the afternoon from 12-1:30 p.m. at the Falkenberg Road Jail Assembly Room, 520 N. Falkenberg Road, Tampa. After serving a key role in a landmark investigation of the Mob, wearing a wire undercover for three years, Delaney experienced Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder. That experience, along with his path to becoming an elite NBA referee, was chronicled in the acclaimed 2008 book, *Covert*, co-authored by Tampa Bay-based journalist/author Dave Scheiber and named a best book of ’08 by *USA Today*. *Covert* will be available for purchase on site and Delaney will sign copies after each session

The event comes on the heels of the 6th Annual Road to Recovery Conference Dec. 13-14, 2010. Delaney riveted hundreds of veterans and their family members in attendance about his experiences with PTSD and the importance of peer-to-peer therapy as an important first step in dealing with the condition.

Delaney also had the opportunity to meet and share insights with many injured veterans at the conference, and even took a new, cutting-edge PTSD screening test as a way of encouraging other vets to do so. “I wish this was available to me when I was coming out from undercover work,” he said. “I wouldn’t have felt as though I was an island unto myself.”

A new book by Delaney and Scheiber, *Surviving the Shadows: A Journey of Hope Into Post-Traumatic Stress* (LaChance), is due out this summer. For details, click on <http://amzn.to/gBqUi8>



Delaney addressing Road to Recovery event Dec. 14

Delaney accepts the Hometown Hero Award from the Coalition at the Road to Recovery Conference.

