



## NEWS RELEASE

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### ***24 CARROT GOLD FOOD SAFETY EXCELLENCE AWARDS*** **RECOGNIZE OUTSTANDING STEWARDSHIP, OPERATION**

**ST. CHARLES COUNTY, MO** – To recognize the importance that St. Charles County establishments place on food safety, sanitation and employee education, the Division of Environmental Health and Protection began presenting its *24 Carrot Gold Food Safety Excellence Awards* in 2007.

The division recognizes its *24 Carrot Gold* award winners for 2017:

- **CULVER’S of O’FALLON** — 8500 Mexico Road, O’Fallon
- **NHC HEALTHCARE** — 35 Sugar Maple Lane, St. Charles
- **PROGRESS WEST HOSPITAL** — 2 Progress Point Parkway, O’Fallon
- **RAISING CANE’S CHICKEN FINGERS #180** — 6095 Mid Rivers Mall Drive, St. Charles
- **RAISING CANE’S CHICKEN FINGERS #236** — 1840 First Capitol Drive, St. Charles
- **RED ROBIN of O’FALLON** — 1440 Mexico Loop Road East, O’Fallon
- **THE BRASS RAIL** — 4601 Highway K, O’Fallon

To view a list of annual *24 Carrot Gold* award winners, please visit <http://www.sccmo.org/24Carrot>.

To be eligible for *24 Carrot Gold* award consideration, a facility must possess a valid St. Charles County Food Establishment permit and be in good standing with the Department of Public Health. Winners cannot have critical inspection violations within the previous year and have more than six non-critical violations over the same period. In addition, a food safety certification class must be completed by at least 90 percent of the facility’s food managers.

Staff from the Division of Environmental Health and Protection regularly inspects permanent, mobile and temporary food service establishments within St. Charles County, except those operating within the city limits of St. Peters (the city health department permits and inspects its own establishments). Inspections are based upon a starting score of 100, with points deducted for various items reported to be in need of correction. To help customers know the food service rating of an establishment, the department requires posting of the most recent inspection in a prominent location as a part of the County’s Food Code.

Throughout the year, the Division of Environmental Health and Protection works with area businesses and organizations to promote healthy conditions in our community. To learn how the division helps to ensure public safety, please call (636) 949-1800 or visit <http://www.sccmo.org/environmental>.

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**About the St. Charles County Department of Public Health**

Through the efforts of its three divisions — Environmental Health and Protection, Health Services and Humane Services — the St. Charles County Department of Public Health provides a wide range of services that enhance the well-being of the community. To learn how the department assists this region or to find out about volunteer opportunities with any of the divisions, visit [www.sccmo.org/PublicHealth](http://www.sccmo.org/PublicHealth) or call 636-949-7400.

**24 Carrot Food Safety Excellence Award Winners for 2017**



**Culver's of O'Fallon**



**NHC Healthcare**



**Progress West Hospital**



**Raising Cane's Chicken Fingers #180**



**Raising Cane's Chicken Fingers #236**



**Red Robin of O'Fallon**

**Not pictured: The Brass Rail**