



The NCOA Coast Guard Vanguard Award is presented in honor and memory of Medal of Honor recipient Signalman First Class Douglas A. Munro.

The 2020 NCOA Military Vanguard recipient for the U.S. Coast Guard is Electrician's Mate Second Class Daniel M. Peters.

On the afternoon of Monday, May 20, 2019, Petty Officer Daniel M. Peters was returning home on his motorcycle after the in port workday. While driving on the Sand Island Access road, Petty Officer Peters observed an injured person laying on the side of the road with an overturned moped and several other motorists pulled over with the scene.

Upon arriving on scene, he saw a shirt over the injured person's leg and assessed there must be an injury underneath. Bystanders on scene informed him that the man was a victim of a hit

and run by a tractor trailer. He established if emergency service had been contacted, identified himself as a member of the Coast Guard with medical training, and began initial first aid actions. Once he evaluated the victim, he discovered a compound fracture of the lower leg with major hemorrhaging. He stopped the bleeding with a makeshift tourniquet which he fashioned from a strip of electrical conduit provided by a bystander. While holding the tourniquet in place, he stayed with the victim, reassuring him and keeping him engaged to evaluate the potential for deterioration until emergency services from Honolulu Fire Department arrived.

Once EMS arrived, Petty Officer Peters completed a pass down of the events since his arrival, what was passed to him by bystanders, and the victim's current condition. EMS placed an additional tourniquet and transported the victim to the hospital.

Electrician's Mate Second Class Daniel J. Peters' quick thinking and decisive action reflect great credit upon himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Coast Guard.

The NCOA Coast Guard Vanguard Award was presented to EM2 Daniel Peters (right) onboard USCG Sector San Diego on July 21, 2020, by Captain Timothy Barelli, Commanding Officer CG Sector San Diego.

