

ADULT CHILDREN'S RETREAT



June 9-12, 2023 // YMCA Trout Lodge - Potosi, MO

Who is invited to attend the retreat?

C.O.P.S. Adult Children's Retreat is planned for surviving adult children and their spouse/domestic partner (21 years or older) of law enforcement officers who died in the line of duty, as determined by C.O.P.S. criteria. Adult Children have the option to bring their spouse/domestic partner with them to the retreat. Other relatives and friends are not eligible to attend.

Domestic partner is defined as a long-term committed legal or interpersonal relationship between two individuals who live together and share a common domestic life (i.e. not just a boyfriend/girlfriend).

How will the retreat benefit me?

C.O.P.S. Adult Children's Retreat will give you the opportunity to meet others who can relate to what you are going through. At times, adult-aged children are very young when losing their parent and struggle with their loss as they grow into the milestones of adulthood; while others may have lost their parent in their adulthood.

At the retreat, you will attend sessions designed for your needs, participate in challenging and fun activities, and unwind in the evenings with new-found friends. It is our goal for you to leave the retreat feeling relaxed with a support system of peers and knowledge to help you in the future.

Where is the retreat located?

We will be staying at the YMCA Trout Lodge on Sunnen Lake in Potosi, MO. This is located 90 minutes outside of St. Louis. Couples will be roomed together; those attending alone will share a room with another attendee.

How do I get to the retreat?

If you are flying, you should plan to arrive at St. Louis Lambert Airport (STL) between 9:00 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. on Friday, June 9. You will be met by a C.O.P.S. representative at the airport and transported to the YMCA Trout Lodge by bus. You will be transported back to the St. Louis Airport on Monday, June 12, by 11:30 a.m. Please be sure your return flight is after 12:30 p.m. to allow time for check-in and security checks. Due to recent travel restrictions, we suggest purchasing travel insurance.

If you are driving, you will need to arrive at the YMCA Trout Lodge by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, June 9, and stay through breakfast on Monday, June 12. **Meals and activities are planned; no late arrivals or early departures please.**

What is the cost of the retreat?

Your only expense is your travel to and from the St. Louis Airport if you are flying or to and from the YMCA Trout Lodge if you are driving. If you fail to cancel your attendance and you do not show up for the program, you could be subject to a participation fee for the following year's program.



Testimonial:

"After years of struggling and thinking I was alone, going to the Adult Children's Retreat has opened up a new chapter in my life.

Together we laugh, cry, and console each other and we all know that we are together in whatever happens.

A special bond between BROTHERS and SISTERS."

Stan Jerlecki
Surviving Adult Child of
Officer Stanley J. Jerlecki
Detroit (MI) Police Department
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Code of Conduct:

This program has a Code of Conduct. Breaking that code will cause immediate expulsion from the program. Cost of expulsion will be the responsibility of the affected participant. A copy of the C.O.P.S. Code of Conduct and Cancellation Policy will be sent to you after we receive your registration request. C.O.P.S. and the counselors working with C.O.P.S. reserve the right to pre-qualify applicants and excuse those who may not be suitable for the program. All decisions concerning the same shall be final.



Limited travel assistance may be available. Contact your local C.O.P.S. Chapter or the C.O.P.S. National Office for additional information.

REGISTER TODAY TO JOIN US

For Assistance Call: 573-346-4911



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Deadline for registration is May 22, 2023. Registrations will NOT be accepted after the deadline date.



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