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Mission Statement

Rebuilding the shattered lives of surviving family members and co-workers affected by a line-of-duty death.

Survivors can seek comfort from C.O.P.S. while awaiting a decision from the following determining agencies: The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), Public Safety Officers' Benefits (PSOB) Program, National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund (NLEOMF), or Fraternal Order of Police (FOP).

Submission Information

Concerns of Police Survivors welcomes the submission of articles, trial updates, survivor news, and memorials. Please know that all submissions will be considered, but may not be published. The inclusion of news articles or court documents makes the process much easier for C.O.P.S. When sending photos, please make sure they are high resolution (600KB or higher) or the original files. All submissions can be e-mailed to blake_haynes@nationalcops.org with the subject line "Newsletter Submission."

Information for Our Readers

Throughout C.O.P.S. publications, you will find codes that indicate how a person is related to an officer who has died in the line of duty. Here is a key for you:

W=Spouse; AC=Adult Child; C= Child; S=Sibling; M=Mother; F=Father; CW= Co-Worker; SM= Step-Mother; SF= Step-Father; SC=Step-Child; GM=Grandmother; GF=Grandfather; GC=Grandchild; FS=Former Spouse; FN=Fiancé; SO=Significant Other; F-IL=Father In-Law; M-IL=Mother In-Law; D-IL=Daughter In-Law; SN-IL=Son In-Law; SS-IL=Sister In-Law; B-IL=Brother In-Law; U=Uncle; A=Aunt; NC=Niece; NP=Nephew; CS=Cousin; FR=Friend



Hello to my fellow survivors!

This is my first letter addressing the C.O.P.S. membership so I want to start by introducing myself and sharing my story with you. I'm Dave Wallace, a retired police detective from Modesto (CA), now living in the Chattanooga (TN) area. I am a co-worker and sibling survivor. In my nearly 30 years as an officer, I lost 10 of my brethren in the line of duty, including my brother, Deputy Sheriff Dennis Wallace of the Stanislaus County (CA) Sheriff's Office, when he was shot and killed on November 13, 2016.

I am beyond excited and honored to be your National President. Thank you for trusting me to lead this incredible organization that has been a part of my healing journey for many years. I have had the honor of serving with C.O.P.S. since 2010 at the state, regional, and now national level. When my brother was shot and killed, my perspective changed because I now grieved as the family members I had always supported as a member of my agency and as a surviving co-worker. I have gained an understanding how grief hits different for each survivorship.

As an officer, it was my dream to help people and serve my community. As a surviving co-worker, it was my mission to support the surviving family members of my brothers and sisters in blue, as well as make sure my fellow officers were focusing on their own mental health and working through the "survivors guilt" so many officers talk about. But, when I lost my sibling, I felt it was my responsibility to be there for my sister-in-law, who loved my brother unconditionally. I needed to support our mother, who was experiencing the harsh reality of a mother losing her child regardless of age. His 30+ nieces and nephews were devastated. Our family went through the trial phase for the man who took Dennis from us, which is a fight far too many survivors have to go through. The Wallace family has been through a lot, but it's the love for, and memory of, Dennis that keeps us going.

Through all of it, I thought I had to remain strong for others. When I went to the C.O.P.S. Siblings Weekend, that changed for me. I was able to let my guard down and allow others to help me through my own grief, which was impacting me more than I thought it was. As a co-worker, my wife Kim and I are able to attend the Co-Workers for Couples Weekend where I gain a better understanding of what she has felt for decades as a law enforcement spouse. My pain was her pain, and these survivor weekends helped me realize that.

That's the special thing about C.O.P.S.; we meet survivors where they are and we connect people like me with people like you. My story offers a lot of different experiences that I know will help me lead this organization. I look forward to meeting you all at some point and listening to your stories. I want to know where you are on your grief journey and how I can help you. The chances are I've felt what you are feeling.

As we finish out 2025 and look towards 2026, know that your C.O.P.S. family is walking alongside you every step of the way. If you need anything, contact the C.O.P.S. National Office or reach out to your local chapter. We are truly here for you.

Blessings,

Dave Wallace, C.O.P.S. National President



Segus Jolivet Jr. celebrates catching a fish at Kids Camp! He caught this fish off the shore during camp with the help of officers from the Wisconsin DNR.

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2025 C.O.P.S. NATIONAL BOARD ELECTION RESULTS

Congratulations to the following newly elected members of the 2025-2026 National Board:



Dave Wallace was elected to serve as the National President. Dave has the responsibility to lead the Board through the many discussions and decisions they will make and to provide direction to the Executive Director. He is the surviving sibling of Stanislaus County (CA) Sheriff's Deputy Sheriff Dennis Wallace, EOW 11/13/2016.



Jim Giese was elected to serve as the Central Plains Region Trustee. Jim will cover the states of North Dakota, Minnesota, South Dakota, Wisconsin, Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas, and Missouri. He is the surviving co-worker of Winnebago County (WI) Sheriff's Office Deputy Sheriff Richard Meyer, EOW 11/13/2003.



Patricia Mullen was elected to serve as the Northeast Region Trustee. Patricia will cover the states of Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, New York, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania. She is the surviving spouse of Suffolk County (NY) Police Department Detective Stephen J. Mullen, EOW 12/7/2018.



Nancy DeLaitre was elected to serve as the Northwest Region Trustee. Nancy will cover the states of Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, and Alaska. She is the surviving mother of Montana Highway Patrol Trooper David J. DeLaitre, EOW 12/1/2010.



Robert Ricks was elected to serve as the Southeast Region Trustee. Robert will cover the states of Georgia, Florida, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands. He is the surviving co-worker of Orange County (FL) Sheriff's Office Deputy First Class Brandon L. Coates, EOW 12/8/2010.



Liz White-Dibb was elected to serve as the South Central Region Trustee. Liz will cover the states of Alabama, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Oklahoma, and Tennessee. She is the surviving spouse of Roseville (CA) Police Department Officer Mark Andrew White, EOW 2/10/1995.



Dani Story-Stinson was elected to serve as the Western Region Trustee. Dani will cover the states of Colorado, New Mexico, and Texas. She is the surviving spouse of Arlington (TX) Police Officer Craig Story, EOW 1/13/2010.

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The upcoming National Board Meeting will be held on January 17-18, 2026 in a location TBD.

If you have a topic of discussion to submit for the meeting,
please email Barbie Squires at barbie_squires@nationalcops.org.



Photo taken at the July 2025 National Board meeting held in Camdenton, MO.

THE BEGINNING OF A NEW SEASON FOR C.O.P.S.



WRITTEN BY DIANNE BERNHARD, C.O.P.S. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
SURVIVING CO-WORKER OF OFFICER MOLLY THOMAS-BOWDEN, EOW 02/10/2005

As we approach the fall and winter season of 2025, I am reminded of Immediate Past President Connie Moyer's Candlelight Vigil speech, where she talked about the changing seasons in her grief journey and in her life. She did a great job capturing the message of changes over time, and the hope that can emerge from those changes.



In Missouri, home of your C.O.P.S. National Office, we experience four distinct seasons, with the weather changing as we pass through each one. I am not sure I could pick a favorite season, as each one has moments of beauty and joy. As I look out the window today, the leaves are beginning to change, the cool air brings a feeling of relief, and the smells of fall bring a smile to my face. Regardless of the season we are going into, we always have something to look forward to. It's called HOPE. Hope that the future can bring us joy, purpose, and love.



In August of this year, I announced an upcoming new season for my family and me, and a new season for C.O.P.S. I plan to retire from my position in December of 2026, and a search has begun for a new Executive Director for C.O.P.S. I plan to spend time with my husband Joe, traveling to where he wants to go, and

spending more time with my children and granddaughter. At the end of 2026, I will be approaching 13 years in this position, and following my career in law enforcement, it is time for me to devote my time to them. This season in my life is nearly at its end, but I have so much hope for the beauty of the next season.

I also have high hopes for the future of C.O.P.S. Our organization is healthy and mission-focused. Our staff is committed and talented. We are incredibly blessed by them. We are financially sound. Our Board is strong, committed to excellence, and willing to make necessary changes as we continue to grow. To say I am proud of the state of C.O.P.S. today is a vast understatement. I love this organization with my whole heart. After all, it is the organization that has provided 20 years of support to the family and co-workers of my friend, Officer Molly Thomas-Bowden, EOW 02/10/2005. Her family has been my reason.





When I look back over my years at C.O.P.S., I am struck most by the quality of people I have met. The strongest and most impactful of those people are you — the survivors. I have seen people at their darkest times, followed by glimpses of light after attending a



program. I have seen seasoned survivors selflessly volunteering their time to guide new survivors towards the direction of hope, sometimes one day at a time. I have seen those same new survivors years later, as they have thrived, now becoming the ones to give back. I have met partners who generously give their time, talent, and money to ensure C.O.P.S.

can continue to provide support. Why? Because they believe in the mission. They believe in you! I have witnessed law enforcement officers' lives transformed for the better because of the life-altering training provided



“THE CHANGING OF THE SEASONS IS NOT ALWAYS EASY, EVEN WHEN WE KNOW THERE IS GOOD TO COME. I AM COMMITTED TO HELPING C.O.P.S. FIND THE RIGHT PERSON TO LEAD THE BUSINESS OF OUR ORGANIZATION GOING FORWARD.”

by this organization.

I have no doubt the right person will arrive, with new ideas, new directions, and improvements. I have informed our Board that I will remain in place until a special person is chosen and will work alongside them until a smooth transition occurs. I look forward to one more year of seeing you at the programs of C.O.P.S. and then attending to give back as a participant. Thank you for the opportunity of a lifetime, an opportunity to be just a small piece of your journey. I am at peace knowing another season in my life is ending, and yet another is beginning. But beyond all, I find HOPE for this new season at C.O.P.S.



Looking forward to the future,

Dianne Bernhard

Dianne Bernhard , C.O.P.S. Executive Director

CONCERNS OF POLICE SURVIVORS CHAPTERS AND CONTACTS

To enable the C.O.P.S. organization to provide peer support close to home, below are 53 C.O.P.S. Chapters that are here to help you through the difficult times. These are the Chapter Representatives as of September 15, 2025:

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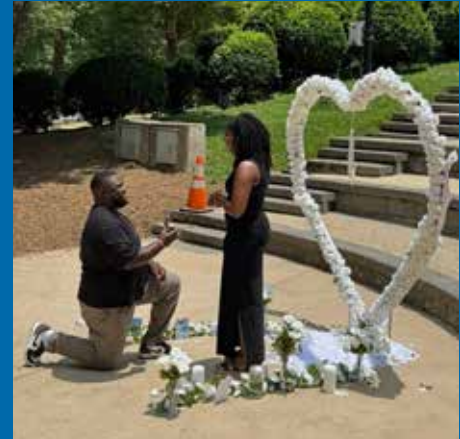
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MARRIAGES/ENGAGEMENTS



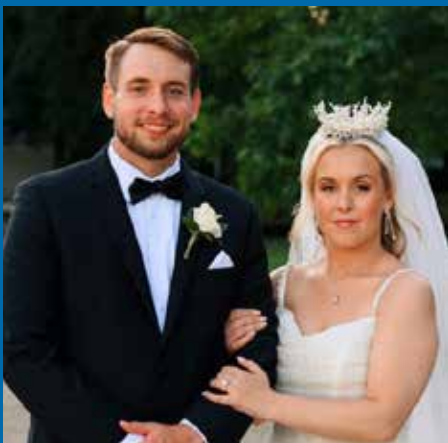
Congratulations to **Lisette Solorio** who was united in marriage to Carlos Mendez on April 24, 2025.

Lisette is the surviving sibling of California Highway Patrol Officer Andre Moye, EOW 8/12/2019.



Congratulations to **James Haynes** who became engaged to Taylor Landrum on June 21, 2025.

James is the surviving son of South Carolina Highway Patrol Lance Corporal James D. Haynes II, EOW 2/1/2008.



Congratulations to **Molly Stanton** who was united in marriage to Ben Tennat in Bay Village, OH, on June 21, 2025.

Molly is the surviving daughter of Cleveland (OH) Police Sergeant Martin Stanton, EOW 9/27/2010.



Congratulations to **Larret Weaver** who proposed to Mackenzie Saylor on August 13, 2025.

Larret is the surviving sibling of Pennsylvania State Trooper Landon Weaver, EOW 12/30/2016.

MARRIAGES/ENGAGEMENTS CONTINUED...



Congratulations to Hannah DeLaittre who became engaged to her high school sweetheart, Byron Hay, on June 22, 2025.

Hannah is the surviving sibling of Montana Highway Patrol Trooper David DeLaittre, EOW 12/1/2010.



Congratulations to **Valerie Zamarripa** who announced her engagement to Orlando Gonzales on July 4, 2025.

Valerie is the surviving mother of Dallas (TX) Police Officer Patrick Zamarripa, EOW 7/7/2016.

GRADUATIONS/AWARDS



Marissa Karpinski received her white coat on August 8, 2025 and will be attending medical school at Rosalind Franklin (IL) University.

Marissa is the surviving niece of Latimore Township (PA) Police Sergeant Mike Weigand, EOW 9/14/2008.



Alberto "Beto" Vasquez graduated from Baylor (TX) University on December 21, 2024, with a Master's Degree in Business Administration.

Beto is the surviving son of Houston (TX) Police Officer Alberto Vasquez, EOW 5/22/2001.

Eli Tome, following in his father's footsteps, was sworn in as an active officer with the Northern York County (PA) Regional Police Department on June, 23, 2025.

Eli is the surviving son of Northern York County (PA) Regional Police Officer David Tome, EOW 10/21/2008.



BIRTHS

Congratulations to **Kyle and Jennifer McCallister** for the arrival of their son, **Colton Lee**! Colton was welcomed to the family on April 3, 2025.

Kyle is the surviving grandson of Somerset (MA) Patrolman Roy Stout, EOW 5/15/1972.



C.O.P.S. Sends Condolences to the Families of:



Diane Sheets, 67, died February 19, 2025. Diane was the Wisconsin C.O.P.S. Chapter's first secretary and later became a Chapter Trustee.

Diane was the surviving spouse of Marathon County (WI) - City Public Deputy Sheriff Jeffrey Sheets, EOW 5/21/1994.



Vera Dedman, 85, died August 11, 2025. Vera was a fixture and avid supporter of Law Enforcement United (LEU) for many years. Members knew Vera as "Mama Vera" for her warmth, wisdom, and unwavering love that touched everyone she met.

Vera was the surviving mother of Nashville (TN) Metro Police Officer Christy Dedman, EOW 7/19/2004.



Andrew "Andy" Sperr, 95, died July 15, 2025. Andy was a big supporter of C.O.P.S. and donated to his daughter, Judith Bennett, COPS Walk fundraisers since 2007.

Andy was the surviving father of New York State Trooper Andrew J. Sperr, EOW 3/1/2006.



Clifton "Cliff" Griffis, 95, died on October 2, 2025. Cliff was an active member of C.O.P.S. as he was a founding member of the Northeast Florida Chapter and wore many hats within the chapter over the years.

Cliff was the surviving father of Bradford County (FL) Deputy Sheriff Hesley "Dell" Griffis, EOW 5/13/1992.



Sandra Crouch, 83, died on June 19, 2025. Sandra always showed support of C.O.P.S. and loved displaying the tags on her car for the Maryland Chapter.

Sandra was the surviving spouse of Maryland Toll Facilities Police Officer Thomas Crouch, EOW 10/31/1991.

DEDICATIONS



On September 5, 2025, in the town of Massapequa (NY), the family (Tricia - surviving spouse, Patrick and James - surviving sons), colleagues, and friends of Suffolk County (NY) Police Detective Stephen J. Mullen, EOW 12/7/2018, gathered on the corner of Cherry Street to honor and dedicate the street in his name.

Stephen J. Mullen Way will forever stand as a reminder of his service, sacrifice, and love he had for his family and community.



On August 17, 2025, Paulding County (GA) Sheriff Ashley Henson honored Deputy Brandon Cunningham, EOW 8/17/2024, by dedicating a portion of Highway 92, now recognized as Peace Officers Memorial Highway, (from the Douglas County line to the Cobb County line), to Deputy Cunningham by naming it the Deputy Brandon Cunningham Memorial Intersection. Many were

in attendance, including Brandon's fiancée (pictured holding the sign in the photo to the left), co-workers, and supporters.



On August 4, 2025, the New York State Police dedicated an overpass on Sagtikos Parkway (Long Island) to New York State Police Senior Investigator Thomas O'Neill, EOW 7/6/2005. Family, supporters, and co-workers all gathered for the dedication to honor and remember their husband, brother, and friend.



DEDICATIONS CONTINUED...

On August 16, 2025, Merced and Lupe Corona honored their daughter, Davis (CA) Police Officer Natalie Corona, EOW 1/10/2019, by holding the grand opening of a community splash pad named "Natalie's Corner." The pad is located in Davis Central Park and was created as a joyful space that invites play, a place to gather, connect, and remember in equal measure; a living tribute to Officer Corona, placing her at the heart of the community she served.



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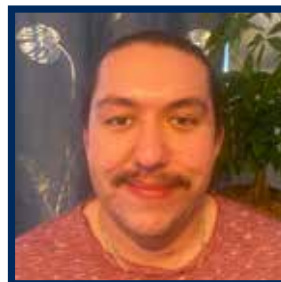
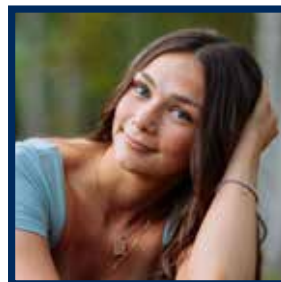
What is going on in your area?



Arizona C.O.P.S. held their monthly meeting in July, where seven scholarships were proudly awarded to eligible Arizona survivors. This marks their largest group of recipients since the program's inception in 2020. The scholarships, which may be used for educational expenses, were awarded to full-time students for the Fall 2025 semester. The Arizona chapter is proud of their achievements and academic goals. The chapter members extend their heartfelt

congratulations to all the recipients and look forward with excitement to seeing what the Spring semester will bring.

The Arizona chapter is also busy preparing for the upcoming Family Fall Fest in September as well as their December holiday party. These special gatherings are all about bringing survivors together, building connections, and sharing meaningful moments filled with laughter and smiles.





Michigan C.O.P.S. hosted/assisted with several events during the summer, starting with the Traumas of Law Enforcement Training held in Dearborn, MI, on July 14th - 16th. This event brought together over 120 law enforcement personnel for this in-depth training.

On July 28th, the Michigan Chapter received complimentary tickets to the Detroit Tigers game, which took place at Comerica Park. Those in attendance witnessed the Tigers come out victorious, beating the Arizona Diamondbacks. A special thank you to the Tigers organization for continuing to support the Michigan Chapter and all Michigan Survivors.

Lastly, the 2025 Thin Blue Shoreline Ride to Petoskey, MI, took place this August. The Thin Blue Shoreline Ride encompasses a 365-mile bicycle journey from Stevensville to Petoskey, with riders departing on August 11th, and concluding on August 14th. Many bystanders were there to cheer them on during their stops along the way!

The Thin Blue Shoreline Ride was established to honor Michigan's fallen officers. Over the years, the ride has raised funds in support of organizations such as Michigan C.O.P.S., the Michigan Honor Guard School, the Michigan Officers Memorial, and the Michigan War Dog Memorial, each of which assists the families of fallen officers.



Garden State C.O.P.S. held their 4th Annual Black and Blue Ball on Saturday, August 9th at the Jumping Brook Country Club in New Jersey. Over 180 survivors, law enforcement officers, and supporters gathered for a night of remembrance and unity.

Guest speakers for the event included C.O.P.S. Northeast Region Trustee and President of the Metro New York C.O.P.S. Chapter, Patricia Mullen, surviving spouse of Suffolk County (NY) Police Department Detective Stephen Mullen, EOW 12/7/2018, and Juila Preslar, surviving child of Lakewood (NY) Police Officer William "Nichie" Preslar, EOW 5/14/2007.



This year also included the unveiling of the "Wall of Honor" banners which lists and honors the names of all New Jersey's fallen officers.



PATRICIA MULLEN SPEAKING
DURING THE EVENT.



JULIA PRESLAR SPEAKING
DURING THE EVENT.



Alabama C.O.P.S. sent chapter board member LeeAnn Thompson and other survivors to Washington D.C. for National Police Week in May to show support to the four families attending to honor and remember their officers.

The Alabama officers honored during National Police Week 2025 were as follows: Jefferson County Sheriff's Deputy Jesse Cooper, EOW 11/18/2023; Rogersville Police Investigator John McCrary, EOW 2/28/2024; Montgomery County Sheriff's Deputy Jermyus Young, EOW 4/5/2024; and Tuscaloosa County Sheriff's Deputy Timothy Wayne Johns, EOW 10/8/2024.



Virginia C.O.P.S. held their first trivia night on June 20th at the River Mill Park in Occoquan, VA.

Overall, 37 teams participated and all who attended had a great time. With the success of the first event,

the chapter is already looking into hosting another trivia night in the future.



West Central Florida C.O.P.S. had some summer fun as survivors gathered for the Law Enforcement Appreciation Night held by the Tampa Bay Rays on July 22nd, and followed that wonderful night up with a day at Miranda Lagoon on August 2nd which saw over 20 survivors in attendance.



Maryland C.O.P.S. held their 2nd Annual Chapter Picnic on August 24th in Frederick County, MD. Over 50 survivors attended this year's picnic as yard games were played and a ton of fun was had by all in attendance. Togetherness is the ultimate goal of the chapter as they continue to plan the picnic year after year. With that in mind, the location will change in hopes to have as many survivors in attendance as possible.



Minnesota C.O.P.S. celebrated their 20-year anniversary as an active chapter of C.O.P.S. on August 9th. This was the 6th consecutive year in which the chapter celebrated with a River Boat Trip on the St. Croix River out of Stillwater, MN. The chapter invited all Minnesota survivors, along with survivors from the Wisconsin Chapter due to many of them living close to the state border.



Overall, the event saw its best turnout yet with 115 survivor family members and co-workers attending. All in attendance had a fun experience.



DC C.O.P.S. President Denise LeValley and Treasurer Danny Hickson were guest speakers at the July meeting of the Society of Former Special Agents of the FBI. Danny, Metropolitan Police Department (MPD), Ret., spoke about the origin and mission of C.O.P.S., as well as the founding of the DC Chapter in 1998 by survivors of three MPD officers who



died in a three-month period. Denise, surviving spouse of FBI Special Agent in Charge David LeValley, EOW 5/26/2018, offered her personal experience of C.O.P.S.' support and the bonds that develop among survivors.

Greater Houston C.O.P.S. Board Members, Lucia Canales - President, Cheryl Perez - Trustee, and Maggie Carter - Trustee, attended the third annual clay shooting event held by the Bourbon Hounds of Houston in April. During the event, representatives of the Bourbon Hounds of Houston presented a generous check donation, which the chapter proudly shared with National C.O.P.S.



These funds directly support C.O.P.S.' mission at the local chapter level as well as at the national level by helping survivors attend healing weekends/camps, and state and national memorials.

Thank you, Bourbon Hounds of Houston, for your generosity, compassion, and continued partnership and support of C.O.P.S.' mission.

50TH ANNIVERSARY - COMMEMORATIVE EVENT



The St. Augustine (FL) Beach Police Department marked the 50th anniversary of their fallen officer, Deputy Marshal Ronald A. Parker, EOW 1/12/1975 with a series of commemorative events. The ceremony took place at Officer Ron Parker Park in St. Augustine Beach, FL, marking the start of a Memorial Weekend that began with a dinner at the FOP Lodge in Jacksonville, hosted by the Northeast Florida Chapter of C.O.P.S., and included family and community activities.

Attendees included C.O.P.S. Immediate Past President Connie Moyer; Past Mayors Lehman Wood and Ron Sanchez; Chief Carswell; former Chief and current Sheriff Robert Hardwick; Charles Shinholser, Former Director of Northeast Florida C.O.P.S.; surviving spouse Brenda Parker, a board member of the Georgia C.O.P.S. Chapter; and other survivors. The First Coast Fire and Drum Corp. performed as flags were flown for officers from the St. John's County Sheriff's Office, City of St. Augustine Police Department, and City of St. Augustine Beach Police Department.

The annual service was followed by a fundraising luncheon at Flagler College. Proceeds will go toward the Officer Ron Parker Memorial Endowed Scholarship. In the days that followed, those in attendance shared breakfasts, lunches, and dinners at various venues together. They also did some shopping in the oldest city. On Sunday, January 12th, Ron's family and friends joined together for a graveside service. They shared their memories of a life well lived in service to the community and our Nation.



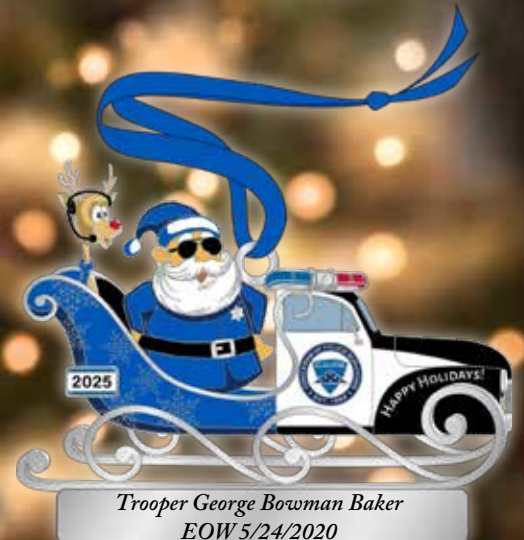
2025 C.O.P.S. HOLIDAY ORNAMENT

This year's ornament design was submitted by surviving child, Harper Baker, age 9. Harper is the surviving daughter of Louisiana State Trooper George Bowman Baker, EOW 5/24/2020. Harper says she gained inspiration for this ornament because of what the holidays mean to her:

"I get to spend time with my family, but miss being able to see my daddy. But I know he is in Heaven with Jesus for his birthday."

For a donation of \$100, your ornament will be customized and sent to you. You have the option to have the ornament mailed to you

before Christmas Day if ordered by December 10th. All other orders will hang on the C.O.P.S. Christmas Tree at the National Office and mailed out after the holidays. All proceeds benefit C.O.P.S. Survivor Weekends and Camps, where support for survivors like Harper is provided free of charge. The price they have paid is already too high.



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Navigating the world for the last twenty years

WRITTEN BY TAMI MCMILLAN, SURVIVING SIBLING OF
EAST PALO ALTO (CA) OFFICER RICH MAY, EOW 1/7/2006

SOME DETAILS OF THE OFFICER'S DEATH ARE INCLUDED IN THIS STORY.



RICH SMILING FOR A PHOTO
WHILE HE IS ON DUTY.

I'm not really sure how it began, but at some point, my brother, Rich, and I stopped fighting as kids and became each other's confidants. We grew up in a family with step-parents and half-siblings, but one thing was for sure: by the time Rich was murdered on January 7, 2006, we were sharing each other's deepest secrets. We had voiced this fact many times in the prior 18 months, as family tragedy had brought us even closer. Then, one year before he died, our mom was diagnosed with breast cancer. We spent the year watching her almost die. Since we were gutted in 2004 with tragedy, and then again in 2005, with mom's cancer, I was ready for 2006 to be a much better year. Nope. My life was shattered the night a known gang member decided to stand over my big brother and shoot him after he had been knocked down by non-life-threatening injuries.

Twenty years. January 7, 2026, will mark twenty years. For twenty years, I have had to navigate the world without Rich; yet he continues to teach me lessons and listen to me every day.

For the first seventeen months after Rich's death, I focused on my sister-in-law and my nieces, putting myself, my husband, and my kids on the back burner. When Rich was honored during National Police Week, I was overwhelmed by this group of people who only wanted to help, Concerns of Police Survivors (C.O.P.S.). The chapter in Northern California was very small and reached out to both my mom and my sister-in-law, but not me. During National Police Week in May 2007, a sibling survivor from New Jersey came up to my sister and I and made us feel very welcome and told us about the Siblings Retreat held each September. We were told that we should attend it at least once.

So, I took a leap of faith and attended my first Siblings Retreat in September 2007, and I have not missed one since. It was during that first retreat that I discovered how truly broken I was. What an absolute blessing to be among people who knew exactly what I was going through. Over the years, I have moved from seeking help and advice to giving it. Each year at Siblings Weekend, I reconnect with many siblings who just understand. We pick up conversations, laugh, and hug like we never left the year before. When I think I no longer need the weekend, I show up "one last

time” and realize that there may never be a last time. The experience of the weekend each year, with all the laughter, tears, and growth, inspires me to be the best that I can be. Most importantly, I have learned to be thankful for everything I have and not focus on what I don’t have. I am finishing this article at the siblings weekend in Estes Park, Colorado. I walk around, overwhelmed by the warmth of security I feel with this group.

I talked to many siblings that first year about how their parents were doing, and began to take a closer look at my mom. She was barely making it through each day. I signed my dad (step) and her up for the parents retreat. It was the best thing I could have done. My parents began to slowly get a little shine back in their lives. The other moms didn’t even need to speak. All they had to do was look into each other’s eyes. Once again, C.O.P.S. worked magic.

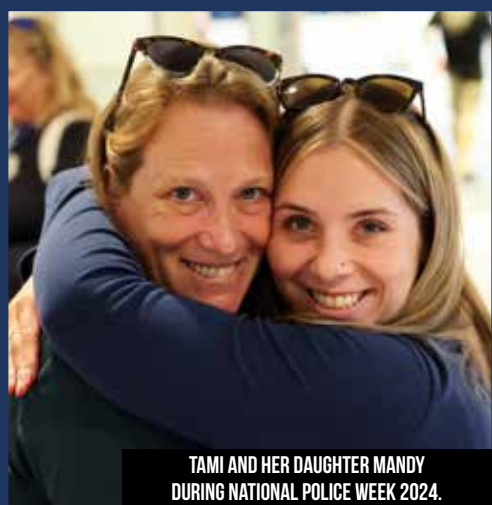
When Rich was killed, I was an assistant principal at a high school, and we would call each other for advice on dealing with teenagers. I was barely able to complete the 2006 school year and never returned to work on a high school campus. This is where C.O.P.S. became the single most healing tool in my life.

In 2009, I became secretary of the Northern California Chapter of C.O.P.S., which was the beginning of ten years of leadership and learning. Being a leader filled the empty part of me that being an educator no longer filled. It is what I needed to have a little stability and

purpose. I am incredibly grateful for the friendships and blue family that exist to this day from NorCal C.O.P.S. I went on to serve as president and treasurer until I moved to Southern California in 2019.

In 2013, I was elected to the National Board as

the Southwest Trustee, a position I served in for three years. I was appointed National Chapter Liaison in 2016 and served through the end of 2017. Leadership in C.O.P.S. is about listening, honoring, and helping others. I have worked with every survivorship and have grown to respect grief in all of its forms, even the ones I personally have never gone through. I honor Rich ev-



TAMI AND HER DAUGHTER MANDY
DURING NATIONAL POLICE WEEK 2024.

I HAVE LEARNED THE FOLLOWING

- STOP FOCUSING ON WHAT I DON'T HAVE AND EMBRACE WHAT I DO HAVE.
- PEOPLE MAY MANAGE GRIEF IN VARIOUS WAYS, AND DIFFERENCES IN APPROACH DO NOT INDICATE CORRECTNESS OR INCORRECTNESS. THESE CHOICES AND REMARKS MADE FOLLOWING TRAUMA ARE GENERALLY ATTEMPTS TO COPE RATHER THAN ACTS OF MALICE.
- MANY PEOPLE, INCLUDING FAMILY MEMBERS, WILL TELL YOU THAT YOU ARE NOT GRIEVING CORRECTLY. THAT YOUR OFFICER WOULD BE DISAPPOINTED IN YOU. ACCEPT THAT THEY SAY THOSE THINGS BECAUSE IT HELPS THEM THROUGH THEIR GRIEF. ONLY I KNOW WHAT MY RELATIONSHIP WITH RICH WAS, AND ONLY I CAN PROCESS MY OWN GRIEF.
- I AM AT PEACE WITH RECOGNIZING THAT I DON'T AGREE WITH OTHERS, AND THEY DON'T HAVE TO AGREE WITH ME.

ery time I tell his story and listen to other survivors share their officer stories. I have also been honoring Rich by being a Traumas of Law Enforcement Trainer since 2013, by sharing and educating.

I am completing my eighteenth Siblings' Weekend in 2025. I can honestly say that all of the conversations and friendships I have made across the country push me through every day. I am not the same person I was when Rich was killed.

On January 17, 2016, my mom died unexpectedly. Ten years and ten days after Rich was killed. It gives me chills to realize she is 10-10 with Rich. I remember looking out at the rows of people at her celebration of life and seeing my C.O.P.S. family, especially the C.O.P.S. parents who traveled miles to honor my mom and help me through a heartbreaking loss one more time.



TAMI AND RICH SMILE
FOR A PHOTO

**"I KNOW WITH PROFOUND HONESTY THAT I
WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO FUNCTION TODAY
WITHOUT CONCERNS OF POLICE SURVIVORS."**

National Police Week 2026 Event Schedule



Monday, May 11

Early Arrival Day at Reagan National Airport (DCA)

C.O.P.S. provides escorted transportation between 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. to your C.O.P.S. hotel. Transportation is provided to those who have both pre-registered with C.O.P.S. and will be staying at a C.O.P.S. hotel.

Tuesday, May 12

Official Arrival Day at Reagan National Airport (DCA)

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Law Enforcement United (LEU) Arrival Ceremony

The Road to Hope bicycle ride concludes after their 250+ mile bicycle rides from five different locations or the 1,000 mile Long Ride are ridden in honor of officers who will be recognized during the May 15 Memorial Service hosted by the Fraternal Order of Police and its Auxiliary. Location details will be listed in the Information Booklet you will receive upon check in.

The **Police Unity Tour** bicycle ride will also be arriving this day at the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Wall.

Wednesday, May 13

Candlelight Vigil hosted by the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund

The NLEOMF will host the Annual Candlelight Vigil on the National Mall at 8:00 p.m. to honor the law enforcement officers who have died in the line of duty.

Thursday, May 14

C.O.P.S. hosts day one of the National Police Survivors' Conference

Surviving family member sessions and surviving co-worker sessions will both be held at the Washington Hilton. Meals included at the conference are a light-fare breakfast and a buffet lunch.

C.O.P.S. hosts day one of the Kids/Teens Program

Surviving children, step-children, and siblings of the fallen officer, grades K-12, can attend while their parent/guardian attends the conference. Pre-registration is required.

C.O.P.S. hosts day one of the Daycare Program

Surviving children, step-children, siblings, nieces, and nephews of the fallen officer, ages infant to six, can attend while their parent/guardian attends the conference. Pre-registration is required.

C.O.P.S. hosts the Blue Honor Gala

Tickets must be purchased in advance at concernsofpolicesurvivors.org. Details are on the next page.

Friday, May 15

National Peace Officers' Memorial Service hosted by the Fraternal Order of Police and its Auxiliary (FOP)

The FOP will host the Annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service on the West Front Lawn of the U.S. Capitol to honor officers listed on the 2026 Roll Call of Heroes.

Saturday, May 16

C.O.P.S. hosts day two of the National Police Survivors' Conference

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C.O.P.S. hosts the Blue Family BBQ

Join us at the Washington Hilton for a fun evening to relax and enjoy activities and dinner with other survivors!

Sunday, May 17

Official Departure Day

Details regarding transportation to the airport on this day will be listed in the Information Booklet you will receive upon check in.



C.O.P.S. Blue Honor Gala

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GRIEVING THROUGH THE HOLIDAYS



WRITTEN BY REV. DR. CHUCK LORRAIN, D. MIN, BCETS, BCC

As we rapidly approach the upcoming holiday season, many are looking forward to this magical time of year. But for others, it may not be as “merry,” especially to those working through grief. For many, the holidays can be extremely difficult--emotionally, physically, relationally, and spiritually and it is normal to feel apprehensive about it, and you are not alone in feeling that way. Please understand that there is no “right” or “wrong” way to approach the holiday season following the loss of a loved one. Grievers may find themselves bracing or feeling overwhelmed, anticipating how to handle gathering without the deceased loved one, fearing being saturated in grief, or questioning whether it is okay to celebrate and feel happy amidst loss.

Since love does not end with death, holidays may result in a renewed sense of personal grief--a feeling of loss unlike that experienced in the routine of daily living. People might expect you to enter into the festivities; however, all around you, the sounds, sights, and smells may trigger memories of the one you love who has died. Unfortunately, there is no simple formula or guidelines that will take away the hurt you are feeling. There are, however, some suggestions that can help you better cope with your grief during this joyful, yet painful, time of year.



Set Boundaries with Holiday Events

You can participate and not participate in whatever feels right for you. While there may be pressure to attend a holiday party, family gathering, or holiday show, remember to check in with your wants and needs to identify your readiness.

It may be helpful to commit to something that sounds fun while reminding yourself that you don't have to stay the entire time. It is also okay to opt out of certain things altogether. Finding a balance between engaging and not pushing yourself is important.

“REMEMBER, YOU'RE GRIEVING BECAUSE YOU'VE LOVED, HAVE BEEN LOVED, AND CONTINUE TO LOVE.”

Tune Into Your Grief Emotions

As mentioned, grief does not take a back seat during the holidays and can often be magnified. It's vital to acknowledge your feelings and not avoid them.

You may experience both negative and positive feelings during the holidays while grieving, and that is OK. Be kind to yourself and remember that all feel-

ings can coexist. For example, I can miss that person and enjoy the holiday at the same time.

It may be tempting to numb out and self-medicate with drugs or alcohol during the holidays. Anticipating and preparing for difficult emotions ahead of time can help prevent negative consequences from occurring.

Plan Ahead to Fill Empty Holiday Roles

Loss often means that specific roles will need to be filled. It is important to think ahead (especially with children) to consider who will fill those vacated roles (e.g., Dad always dressed as Santa or Aunt always cut the turkey). Planning ahead can help avoid unnecessary moments of grief and make the experiences more fluid and enjoyable.

Honor Old Traditions & Honor Memories

It can be helpful to continue with old traditions that existed in order to honor and celebrate the individuals who are no longer here. This is a useful way to keep their memory present.

Create New Traditions

Creating new traditions can be a healing experience for individuals grieving. Making new memories does not erase old memories. Remember, your loved one will want you to enjoy the holidays. Acknowledge, validate, and then challenge any feelings of guilt that may arise in the process.



Identify Grief Coping Skills

Prior to the holiday season beginning, consider creating a list of go-to coping skills to use, whether you are at home or at a social function. It will be handy when the grief hits you unexpectedly. Some examples of coping skills are deep breathing, taking a walk, journaling, listening to music, practicing yoga, and saying positive affirmations.

Volunteer/Do Something Charitable

Helping others helps alleviate your sadness while bringing joy into someone else's life who needs it. This is always a good idea.

Express your faith

During the holidays, you may find a renewed sense of

SOME DO'S AND DON'T'S

- **DO BE GENTLE WITH YOURSELF AND PROTECT YOURSELF.**
- **DON'T DO MORE THAN YOU WANT, AND DON'T DO ANYTHING THAT DOES NOT SERVE YOUR SOUL AND YOUR LOSS.**
- **DO ALLOW TIME FOR THE FEELINGS.**
- **DON'T KEEP FEELINGS BOTTLED UP. IF YOU HAVE 500 TEARS TO CRY, DON'T STOP AT 250.**
- **DO ALLOW OTHERS TO HELP. WE ALL NEED HELP AT CERTAIN TIMES IN OUR LIVES.**
- **DON'T ASK IF YOU CAN HELP OR SHOULD HELP A FRIEND IN GRIEF. JUST HELP. FIND WAYS; INVITE THEM TO GROUP EVENTS OR JUST OUT FOR COFFEE.**
- **DO, IN GRIEF, PAY EXTRA ATTENTION TO THE CHILDREN. CHILDREN ARE TOO OFTEN THE FORGOTTEN GRIEVERS.**

faith or discover a new set of beliefs. Associate with people who understand and respect your need to talk about these beliefs. If your faith is essential, you may want to attend a holiday service or special religious ceremony. As you approach the holidays, remember: grief is both a necessity and a privilege. It comes as a result of giving and receiving love. Don't let anyone take your grief away. Love yourself. Be patient with yourself. And allow yourself to be surrounded by loving, caring people.

Ask For Help When Struggling with Grief

It is essential to seek support from friends, family, co-workers, and professionals if needed. Whether you have lost someone close to you or not, the holidays can bring up many complicated feelings. It's completely normal and can be helpful to seek services from a therapist, counselor, clergy member, or psychologist.

Remember, you're grieving because you've loved, have been loved, and continue to love. An essential part of your healing this holiday season may be to embrace the love and memories you've shared with your loved ones. Sharing stories among family and friends, making favorite foods, looking at photographs of happy memories, or other activities may help you find connection. Memories are one of the best legacies that exist after the death of someone loved.

PHOTO RECAP

Enjoy these photos from the Survivor Weekends/Camps that have been held so far!

Kids Camp



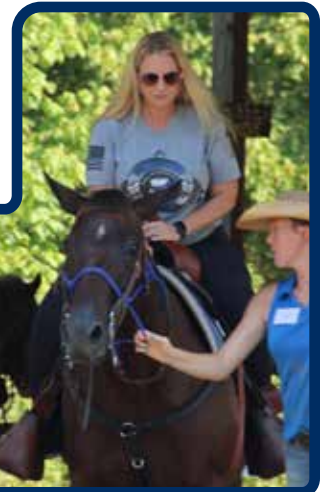
Young Adults Camp



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Fiancés & Significant Others Weekend



Photos from the remaining Fall Weekends and Camps will be featured in the next issue.

Siblings Weekend



Spouses Weekend



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Co-Workers Weekend



2026 C.O.P.S. WEEKENDS & CAMPS DATES AND LOCATIONS:

Spouses for Couples Weekend

March 27-30
YMCA Trout Lodge - Potosi, MO

Young Adults Camp

July 27-31
Epworth By The Sea - St. Simons Island, GA

Extended Family Weekend

October 9-12
YMCA Trout Lodge - Potosi, MO

Co-Workers for Couples Weekend

April 10-13
Epworth By The Sea - St. Simons Island, GA

Fiancés & Significant Others Weekend

August 14-17
YMCA Trout Lodge - Potosi, MO

Suicide Survivors Fall Weekend

October 16-19
YMCA Trout Lodge - Potosi, MO

Suicide Survivors Summer Weekend

June 12-15
YMCA Trout Lodge - Potosi, MO

Siblings Weekend

September 11-14
YMCA of the Rockies - Estes Park, CO

Parents Weekend

October 23-26
C.A. Vines Arkansas 4-H Center - Little Rock, AR

Adult Children's Weekend

June 19-22
YMCA Trout Lodge - Potosi, MO

Spouses Weekend

September 18-21
YMCA of the Rockies - Estes Park, CO

New Location *

Kids Camp

July 13-18
Salvation Army Wonderland Camp - Salem, WI

Co-Workers Weekend *

October 2-5
YMCA of the Rockies - Estes Park, CO



Registration will open in early 2026!



SURVIVOR SPOTLIGHT

WRITTEN BY CHELSEA BATES, SURVIVING SPOUSE OF OFFICER KEJUANE BATES, EOW 4/1/2020

After losing my husband Kejuane to COVID, my family and I were left with an emptiness that felt impossible to heal. The grief was heavy, and life as we once knew it seemed broken in ways we couldn't fully understand. The loss not only took away someone we cherished, but also left us feeling isolated, unsure of how to move forward, and searching for a place where our pain could be understood. That place came through the Concerns of Police Survivors (C.O.P.S.).

“THE C.O.P.S. WEEKENDS AND CAMPS HAVE TRULY BEEN A LIFELINE, HELPING US REBUILD OUR LIVES AND TEACHING US THAT WHILE KEJUANE MAY NO LONGER BE HERE PHYSICALLY, HIS LEGACY OF SERVICE AND LOVE CONTINUES TO GUIDE US EVERY SINGLE DAY.”

From the very first time we attended a C.O.P.S. event, my family and I felt an overwhelming sense of belonging. We were surrounded by people who truly understood our experience—families who had also lost someone in the line of duty. It was one of the first times we didn't have to explain our grief, because everyone around us carried their own version of it. This community made it possible for us to begin facing the reality of our loss without feeling judged or alone.

One of the greatest areas of growth for us has been learning how



KEJUANE AND MADISON BATES TAKE A BREAK FROM LUNCH TO SMILE FOR A PHOTO.

to honor Kejuane's memory while also continuing to live with purpose. Through C.O.P.S. weekends and camps, we've gained tools and resources to process grief in healthy ways. My daughter Madison has had the chance to meet peers who share her same story, which has given her a voice and the confidence to express feelings she once kept bottled up. Watching her laugh, share memories, and even cry with kids who understand has been one of the most healing experiences for me as a parent.

As a family, we've also learned that grief doesn't mean the end of joy. C.O.P.S. has helped us recognize it is okay to laugh again, to dream again, and to find happiness while still keeping Kejuane's memory alive. These weekends and camps have shown us how to balance remembrance with growth. We've developed rituals, built friendships, and embraced coping skills that continue to carry us forward. In fact, C.O.P.S. supports over 87,000 survivors, highlighting

the significant impact they have on families like ours. This immense support network affirms that our journey towards healing is shared by many others who have walked similar paths.

Most importantly, the C.O.P.S. programs have given us hope. They have reminded us that even in the darkest of circumstances, healing is possible. The growth we have experienced as a family is not about "moving on" but about moving forward—together—with strength, resilience, and the support of a community that will always understand.

Today, we are not the same broken family we were in the earliest days of our loss. We still grieve, and always will, but we do so with more courage, compassion, and connection than before. The C.O.P.S. weekends and camps have truly been a lifeline, helping us rebuild our lives and teaching us that while Kejuane may no longer be here physically, his legacy of service and love continues to guide us every single day.



OFFICER BATES READING TO A CLASS DURING A SHIFT.



CHELSEA AND MADISON BATES SMILING FOR A PHOTO AT C.O.P.S. KIDS CAMP 2025.

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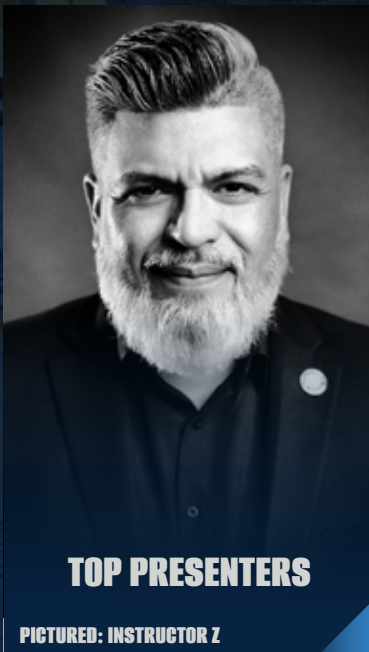
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Streamlight's initial involvement dates back 26 years, to a National Sheriffs' Association Show where now-retired Streamlight President Brad Penney met Suzie Sawyer, the former Executive Director of C.O.P.S. This chance encounter revealed a shared commitment to service, resilience, and support – values that both organizations hold at their core. Shortly thereafter, Streamlight began a meaningful journey with C.O.P.S., helping to provide resources, visibility, and comfort to the tens of thousands of survivors who carry the legacy of fallen officers.

Streamlight's partnership with C.O.P.S. is more than a sponsorship—it's a shared mission born from a deep recognition of the practical day-to-day needs and emotional needs faced by families and colleagues after a line-of-duty death.

CLAYTON FRENCH, STREAMLIGHT SPECIAL PROJECTS MANAGER, REFLECTS, "STREAMLIGHT REALLY STARTED OUT AND GREW UP ON LAW ENFORCEMENT, AND BEING ABLE TO PAY BACK TO THAT COMMUNITY IN A SENSE IS REALLY REWARDING."



Streamlight's values align closely with the C.O.P.S.'s mission to rebuild shattered lives through compassion, connection, and community. For Streamlight, giving back isn't just a corporate initiative; it's a personal commitment. Many employees have close ties to law enforcement, whether they are former law enforcement officers themselves or have friends and family in the field. The emotional impact of this work resonates throughout the organization. Supporting C.O.P.S. is a natural extension of Streamlight's belief in standing with the community that relies on its products every day. It's a reflection of a corporate culture built on empathy, responsibility, and a profound respect for those who serve.



Streamlight's support for C.O.P.S. goes beyond words—it's backed by meaningful financial and

product-based contributions. In 2025, Streamlight proudly stepped up as a Guardian Sponsor, donating \$142,400 to help fund vital survivor programs. Streamlight continues to contribute through its product sales, donating \$1 from every C.O.P.S. Blue



A GROUP PHOTO TAKEN AT EXTENDED FAMILY RETREAT IN 2015 TO THANK STREAMLIGHT FOR SUPPORTING THE RETREAT.

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The enduring collaboration with C.O.P.S. reflects a

deep and ongoing commitment to honoring fallen officers and supporting the families they leave behind. As Streamlight President Mike Dineen notes, "I've always been so impressed at the connection between C.O.P.S. and Streamlight; there are a lot of people here that really participate in the mission. That's what I love about our relationship, it's not just a sponsorship, it's something that we do together, and I'll always appreciate that." This deep-rooted connection continues to inspire Streamlight's commitment to supporting survivors and honoring the legacy of fallen officers.



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As a **Guardian Sponsor**, Streamlight is honored to support C.O.P.S. in its mission to help rebuild the lives of those left behind. As C.O.P.S. works to bring hope and healing to the survivors, we pay tribute to all the officers and their loved ones.





C.O.P.S. Scholarships

C.O.P.S. Granted \$127,671.28 in Scholarships for the 2025 Fall Semester.

Several benefactors help C.O.P.S. provide these scholarships. The scholarship fund has provided over \$2.8 million in scholarships to survivors since 1993.

Recipients of the 2025 C.O.P.S. Fall scholarship are:

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Daughter of Nathaniel Afolayan, EOW 5/1/2009

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Arizona Christian University
Son of William Coleman, EOW 1/8/2012

Alyssa Davis

Kennesaw State University
Daughter of Daniel Davis, EOW 11/10/2013

Kaitlin Denner

University of Hawaii, Manoa
Daughter of Kevin Denner, EOW 5/6/2013

Jalil Dukes

Xavier College of Pharmacy
Son of Thelonious Dukes, EOW 11/9/2007

Bryce Dye

Bryan College
Son of Christopher Dye, EOW 11/4/2020

Jazmyn-Teana Enriquez

Hawaii Pacific University
Daughter of Tiffany-Victoria Enriquez, EOW 1/19/2020

Jacob Favela

Chapman University
Son of Steve Favela, EOW 11/26/2006

Samantha Francom

Grand Valley State University
Daughter of Jared Francom, EOW 1/5/2012

Grace Gaunt

University of Utah
Daughter of Brian Gaunt, EOW 10/24/2021

Jake Gaunt

Arizona State University
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Nicole Gilner

University of Alabama at Birmingham
Daughter of Stephen Gilner, EOW 7/24/1999

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Daughter of David Grant, EOW 5/31/2004

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Son of Michael Kunovich, EOW 5/19/2023

Julian LaRosa

University of Florida
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Kendall Lee

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Ethan Lee

University of Alabama
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Mikhail Lee

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Emily Lewis

Syracuse University
Daughter of Andrew Lewis, EOW 3/5/2017

Ashton Lykins

Chattanooga State Technical Community College
Son of Christopher Dye, EOW 11/4/2020

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Kennesaw State University
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Erin McCrystal

East Tennessee State University
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University of Tennessee
Son of Christopher McDonnell, EOW 5/6/2020

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Brandon One Feather

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Margaret Vera

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Oklahoma State University
Daughter of Douglas Wendel, EOW 7/30/2003

Kendall Wise

Wyoming College of Law
Daughter of Michael Wise, EOW 6/5/2004

Robert Zane

Sacred Heart University
Son of Robert Zane, EOW 5/12/2009

Deadline dates for scholarship applications are as follows:

Summer Semester - April 1 // Fall Semester - June 1 // Winter/Spring Semesters - October 1

C.O.P.S. scholarships are awarded to surviving children and spouses of law enforcement officers who have died in the line of duty, who are enrolled in under-graduate and post-graduate studies at an accredited college or university, or an accredited trade/vocational school. An independent Scholarship Committee determines recipients.

Scholarships are not awarded to survivors who are entitled to a tuition-free education as a state death benefit. APPLY ONLINE at concernsofpolicesurvivors.org



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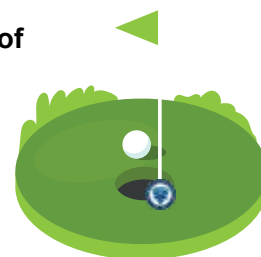
National Golf Tournament



The 2025 C.O.P.S. National Golf Tournament was held on August 3rd at the beautiful Osage National Golf Resort located in the same Lake of the Ozarks community as the C.O.P.S. National Office. As always, the tournament sold out, drawing players from multiple states for a day filled with fun and support for C.O.P.S. and law enforcement.



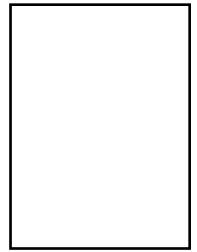
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