

Young Adults Camp



July 24-28, 2023 // Epworth By The Sea - St. Simons Island, GA

Who is invited to attend the camp?

C.O.P.S. Young Adults Camp is planned for surviving children and siblings (15-20 years of age) of law enforcement officers who died in the line of duty, as determined by C.O.P.S. criteria. Other relatives and friends are not eligible to attend.

How will the camp benefit me?

C.O.P.S. Young Adults Camp will give surviving children and siblings the opportunity to be surrounded by peers who understand their loss. This camp will be a mixture of fun camp-like activities and a structured adult program, allowing surviving children and siblings to grow into young adults.

Participants will spend the week bonding with peers, participating in challenging activities, and addressing their grief-related concerns in a relaxed setting. It is our goal for campers to leave the week with a continuing support system and a tremendous sense of personal growth and self-awareness for the future.



Where is the camp located?

We will be staying at Epworth By The Sea in St. Simons Island, GA. Participants will be roomed in cabins with others their age with supervision from adult mentors. Activities will be put on by law enforcement agencies in the surrounding area on and off site. Transportation will be provided to all activity locations.

How do I get to the camp?

If you are flying, you should plan to arrive at Jacksonville International Airport (JAX) between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on Monday, July 24. You will be met by C.O.P.S. and law enforcement representatives at the airport and transported to Epworth By The Sea by bus once everyone has arrived. You will be transported back to the Jacksonville International Airport on Friday, July 28, by 11:30 a.m. Please be sure your return flight is after 12:00 p.m. to allow time for check-in and security checks.

If you are driving, you will need to plan to arrive at Epworth By The Sea by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, July 24, and stay through breakfast on Friday, July 28. **Meals and activities are planned; no late arrivals or early departures please.**



What is the cost of the camp?

Your only expense is your travel to and from the Jacksonville International Airport, if flying, or to and from Epworth By The Sea, if driving. If you fail to cancel your attendance or you do not show up for the program, you could be subject to a participation fee for the following year's program.

Testimonial:

"I still have days where it hits me that my dad isn't going to be there for important things; but I get through these feelings by knowing that I am not alone and that I can always reach out to my friends I have met through C.O.P.S. that will support me."

Gwendolyn DiNardo
Surviving Daughter of
Detective Marc Anthony DiNardo
Jersey City (NJ) Police Department
EOW 7/21/2009



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.

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For Assistance Call: 573-346-4911



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Deadline for registration is June 24, 2023. Registrations will NOT be accepted after the deadline date.



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