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The mission of the CLEVELAND POLICE FOUNDATION is to assist in forging stronger bonds between the Cleveland Division of Police and the community it serves. To accomplish that, the CPF is working proactively to support and invest in programs, initiatives and events that foster stronger relationships between citizens and police officers, police charities, and helping officers to better perform their duties.

During its relatively short history, the CPF has registered countless success stories made possible by the support of businesses and individuals, and collaboration with many partners. In the pages of this journal you will read about a few examples of how the CPF, the Cleveland Division of Police and others are partnering to make good things happen.
HISTORY, MISSION AND PURPOSE

Since its founding as a frontier outpost of the Western Reserve, Cleveland has been a great place to live.

As our City and northeast Ohio continued to grow and prosper, its citizens established a great sense of community, one in which to raise a family and make a good living… a community we can all be proud to call home! Our police officers are an integral part of that community, protecting its citizens and their property. They can’t do it alone, as every citizen plays a role in making our neighborhoods safer.

The Cleveland Division of Police has a proud and storied history of service. Members put their lives on the line every day for their fellow citizens. Since its inception, 110 Cleveland Police Officers have died in the line of duty. Needless to say, its officers are committed to doing their part in working to make our community safer.

Our Mission

The CPF is an alliance of business and civic leaders, law enforcement organizations and individuals committed to the ideal that an educated, well-trained, and modernly equipped law enforcement agency leads to a safer community for all. Our mission is to strengthen the bonds between the Cleveland Division of Police and the citizens it serves through community engagement, support for police charities, and funding for specialized equipment and technology in order to help our police officers better perform their duties.

In 2010, The Cleveland Police Foundation became the reality of police officials and civic visionaries after they identified a need to support the Division of Police for the City of Cleveland and the numerous activities they conduct on behalf of the community.

Acting on the advice of three local civic leaders, Thomas D. Ganley, Edward A. Lozick, and Samuel H. Miller, Police Chief Michael McGrath created an organization that held their collective dreams. Their vision, desire, and determination led to an organization that positively impacts the Division of Police and their endeavors to engage the community, to create opportunities for collaboration with neighborhoods, children and adults, and to be an integral part of the fabric of the community.
Dear Friends:
Cleveland is a great city to call home. What makes it so is its wonderful people and their willingness to work together to make it a better place to live, work, play and raise a family; and, that an integral part of the character of so many Clevelanders is a commitment to giving back to the community.

Public safety is a key component of any great city, and it’s the responsibility of all good citizens to make our neighborhoods safer. When working together with the police, the entire community benefits by experiencing the good karma resulting in safer, stronger neighborhoods, and positive working relationships.

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Cleveland is experiencing a renaissance with downtown development, national conventions and world championships. With continued and growing support, collaboration with our community partners and the dedication of its board and staff, the Cleveland Police Foundation is poised to take a giant step into playing a major role in making our neighborhoods safer, and a model for other cities to replicate.

We invite you to join with us as we grow our efforts to work hand in hand to make Cleveland a stronger, even more vibrant and safer community.

Thomas K. Stone
President, CPF

Charles W. Lane, Jr.
Executive Director, CPF
Thank you so much for the generous gifts for the little girl who lost everything in the arson fire. The family was speechless and quite impressed with the outpouring of support, especially from the police. Your organization is truly amazing!

Steve
Resident, Cleveland, Ohio

The Cleveland Police Foundation supports this mission by hosting activities that bring the police and community together; honoring officers and community members who are dedicated to improving safety in our community; and, upholding its own mission to improve the relationships between Cleveland residents and the Cleveland Division of Police.

Honorable Frank G. Jackson
Mayor, City of Cleveland
In its relatively short history, the Cleveland Police Foundation has made extraordinary progress strengthening the bonds that tie the community and the Cleveland Division of Police together. The Cleveland Police Foundation is active in many endeavors, small and large. Some events garner significant publicity but many go unrecognized by the general public. It is these small unheralded interactions with the children and adults of our city that are the seeds for the future of our relations with the greater community we serve.

Chief Calvin D. Williams
Chief of Police

It was something special to witness… the dedication and enthusiasm of not only the players but also Coach Bam and his assistants. While watching them practice, I realized how important it is for programs like this to exist. Knowing that these kids were on this field playing football and not walking the streets of the neighborhoods or hanging out on the corners. Our thanks goes out to Head Coach Bam and his staff for not only sharing their knowledge of football with the kids, but also reinforcing the importance of going to school, obtaining good grades and most of all, respect for themselves and others.

Bob Guttu
CPF Community Outreach Coordinator

I wanted to thank you for bringing my son a new bike after his was stolen. Biking is his only means of getting to and from work. He loves the new bike, and we are both grateful for your help. Thank you for doing this for the community. Blessings!

Josie
Resident, Cleveland, Ohio

We are extremely grateful for the funding for the programs which are a valuable asset to help bridge the gap between the Cleveland Police Department and the residents of the City of Cleveland.

Gregory W. Terrell
Executive Director
Society for Nonviolent Change
Dear Friends:

On behalf of the people of our great city, I would like to recognize the Cleveland Police Foundation as we celebrate and support the important work they do for the City of Cleveland and the Cleveland Division of Police.

Decreasing crime in Cleveland is a community goal and a priority of mine as mayor. We must continue to strengthen the partnership between our residents and our police officers by being transparent, available and involved in our community. I am committed to addressing the issues that face our city head on and moving forward together. In doing so, we will create safer neighborhoods and a safer city. As we continue to speak up, speak out, and remain tenacious in our efforts to improve safety, we will become a stronger more united community; a community that works together for the greatest good and improved quality of life.

The Cleveland Police Foundation supports this mission by hosting activities that bring the Police and Community together; honoring officers and community members who are dedicated to improving safety in our community; and, upholding its own mission to improve the relationships between Cleveland residents and the Cleveland Division of Police.

More specifically, The Cleveland Police Foundation funds youth and community outreach programs, community policing initiatives, crime prevention and safety programs, police charities, support for the members of the Division of Police to help them better perform their duties, investment in advanced education and training, and funding for specialized equipment and technology. They are a partner in productive change for our community with regards to constitutional policing.

Please demonstrate your commitment and support to the Cleveland Police Foundation as they work to build a safer community and improve the connection between our police and our community. It is appreciated not only by the Cleveland Police Foundation and the Cleveland Division of Police, but also by the City of Cleveland and its residents.

Frank G. Jackson
Mayor, Cleveland, Ohio
Please help to accomplish our mission in supporting the Cleveland Division of Police and their efforts to engage the community, and forging stronger bonds with the citizens they serve.

THE CLEVELAND POLICE FOUNDATION WISH LIST

$300,000:  To establish a mobile Safety Town Program to service schools and neighborhoods throughout the City, instructing children about pedestrian, traffic, stranger danger safety and other healthy life choices.

$250,000:  To enable the Cleveland Police Foundation in its mission to develop and implement a community engagement program by providing Community Engagement Coordinators (support staff) to assist officers in their outreach efforts.

$125,000:  For the expansion of the Greater Cleveland Peace Officers Memorial, necessitated by the loss of an average of one officer per year in the line of duty in our region.

$100,000:  To fund and expand the City’s annual Handgun and Assault Weapon Buyback Program.

$75,000:  To purchase and equip a cargo truck and van to support the community engagement initiatives and special events in the City’s neighborhoods.

$50,000:  To support and expand Cops For Kids initiatives.

$30,000:  To repair and upgrade physical fitness equipment in the five Neighborhood Police Districts stations and CPD headquarter’s gymnasiuums.

$25,000:  To fund the Police Athletic League (PAL) youth sports programming and mentoring efforts.

$25,000:  To fund equipment and training for the Cleveland Police Mounted Unit.

$20,000:  To improve and expand the CPD’s involvement in special events including year-end holiday parties for kids and senior citizens throughout the City.

$20,000:  To support the Cleveland Police Historical Society & Museum in developing educational programming and exhibits.

$15,000:  To support and expand the Law Enforcement Explorers Program, a mentoring and career path program for high school-aged students.

$10,000:  To fund annual Cops For Kids Fishing Outings in each of the five Neighborhood Police Districts.

$10,000:  To support the Pipes & Drums and Honor Guard in the replacement of equipment of uniforms.

$7,500:  To purchase sports equipment (baseballs, footballs, basketballs, etc.), bicycles, helmets, and other items to supports police officers’ community engagement activities.

$5,000:  To purchase ballistic vests for the dogs in the Canine Unit and to provide equipment and training.

$2,500:  To fund the annual and monthly awards programs that recognize outstanding community service by citizens, organizations, and police officers.
Dear Supporter of the Cleveland Police Foundation:

On behalf of the men and women of the Cleveland Division of Police, I want to take this opportunity to acknowledge the vital mission of the Cleveland Police Foundation.

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Please join me in supporting the Cleveland Police Foundation and the vital mission to which they have dedicated themselves.

Calvin D. Williams
Chief of Police, Cleveland, Ohio
The Cleveland Police Athletic League (PAL) has a rich history in providing quality athletic, recreational and educational activities for the city’s younger citizens. Its purpose is to provide positive interaction between youngsters and police officers in a fun and safe environment, while focusing on physical fitness, healthy life choices, and becoming productive citizens.

Established in the late 1930’s by Safety Director Eliot Ness, Cleveland PAL is one of the oldest in the nation and grew to be one of the largest. Officially incorporated in 1956, it joined the National Organization of Police Athletic Leagues in 1966 along with 15 PAL chapters in Ohio and 400 nationwide.

PAL provides opportunities for children in the community to participate in wholesome sports programs, recreational and extracurricular activities. By providing these services, PAL hopes to divert children away from negative influences and enhance a child’s individual self-esteem, self-discipline, and actualization.

While there are similar programs for youngsters, PAL is the only one of its kind that provides positive daily interaction with police officers in the community in a recreational setting. PAL’s purpose is clearly stated in its motto, “Our Police Officers Helping Today’s Youth Become Tomorrow’s Citizens.” Many of the program’s participants have returned to volunteer and gone on to become coaches, police officers, and supporters.

The majority of the approximately 1,000 youngsters ranging in ages 5-21 currently participating in PAL are from low-income families. Funding of PAL’s efforts is primarily derived from federal, state, and local grants and contributions from foundations, businesses and individuals.

For more information, visit [www.clevelandpal.org](http://www.clevelandpal.org)
ONE OF PAL’S ENDEAVORS... YOUTH FOOTBALL

The Cleveland PAL Youth Football program has been in existence for over 50 years, and at one time had over 20 teams. Due to several factors but mainly funding challenges, the program today has four “PAL 6 Reddogs” teams: Termites (ages 5-7), Midgets (ages 8-10), PeeWees (ages 11-13) and Bantams (ages 14-17). Each team consists of between 20-35 players, mainly residing on Cleveland’s southeast side in the Fourth Neighborhood Police District.

Holding practices at Luke Easter Park near the Zelma George Recreation Center, they play their games throughout the City in the Cleveland Municipal Football League. Cheerleading squads consisting of 6-12 members in the same age groups lead crowd support for each team.

NEW HELMETS FOR PAL YOUTH FOOTBALL PROGRAM ARRIVES TO SAVE THE SEASON FOOTBALL

When PAL Executive Director Robert M. Kumazec, Jr. learned from the coaches in their Youth Football program that many of the helmets to be used by the players did not meet current safety and concussion protocols, he was faced with quite a dilemma... delaying or possibly canceling the football season for as many as 55 kids, or find a way to raise the funds to buy them in very short order. Not wanting to disappoint the players and coaches, and not having the funds available in PAL’s treasury, Kumazec contacted the Cleveland Police Foundation for help.

The manufacturer of the helmets used by PAL, Schutt Sports, was contacted and their representative advised that the company could offer the helmets at their cost. The CPF allocated some funds made available from a community engagement grant awarded to them by the Saint Luke’s Foundation, and the remaining dollars were allocated from another project the CPF was planning to fund. The order was placed and the helmets arrived in the nick of time, thus allowing the aspiring collegiate players to begin their season.

While preparing to distribute the helmets, Kumazec stated, “Before we can allow our youngsters to participate safely in the sport of tackle football, it is critical that they have the proper protective equipment. Many thanks to The Cleveland Police Foundation, the St. Luke’s Foundation, and Schutt Sports for providing these helmets. Without your help, we would be unable to provide this program.”

On the day uniforms were issued, the kids were thrilled when they got a look at the new helmets displayed on the bleachers. They got a bigger kick out of the autograph session where they got to sign two helmets donated to PAL by Schutt Sports. They would be presented by PAL to the CPF and the Saint Luke’s Foundation in appreciation for saving the kids’ season.

CPF Community Outreach Coordinator Bob Guttu said, “It was something special to witness... the dedication and enthusiasm of not only the players but also Head Coach Bam and his assistants. While watching practice, I realized how important it is for programs like this to exist. Knowing that these kids were on this field playing football and not walking the streets of the neighborhoods or hanging out on the corners.”

Our thanks goes out to Head Coach Bam and his dedicated staff for not only sharing their knowledge of football with the kids, but also reinforcing the importance of going to school, obtaining good grades and most of all, respect for themselves and others.
## Police Officers Who Made the Ultimate Sacrifice

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**DETECTIVES**
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Detective Martin E. Mrugacz  09/29/1960
Detective John Apanites  04/07/1969
Detective George Zicarelli  09/17/1979
Detective Jonathan J. Schroeder  08/31/2006

**SERGEANTS**
Sergeant Nicholas Sheehan  09/05/1894
Sergeant Charles H. Goetz  05/06/1916
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**LIEUTENANTS**
Lieutenant William L. Foulks  09/29/1900
Lieutenant Edward G. Lentz  12/09/1957
Lieutenant Leroy Jones  07/23/1968

**CAPTAINS**
Captain Jerome C. Poelking  12/08/1975
Several years ago, three gentlemen were called upon by Chief Mike McGrath to lend their guidance to form an organization that would eventually become the official charity of the Cleveland Division of Police, tasked with the mission to support its members, its charitable endeavors, and help forge stronger ties with the community it serves. Mr. Thomas D. Ganley, Mr. Edward A. Lozick, and Mr. Samuel H. Miller immediately responded to his call for help. Through their personal support and guidance the Cleveland Police Foundation became a reality.

In 2012 during its first year of operation, the CPF Board of Directors recognized Messrs. Ganley, Lozick and Miller as the organization’s “Founding Fathers” and established its Founders Award in their honor. The award annually recognizes exemplary leadership, performance and dedication to the organization’s ideals and mission.

In order to honor these three visionaries for their significant philanthropy and service, the Cleveland Police Foundation proudly announces the naming of its three highest awards. The designations commemorate the Founding Fathers’ staunch support of the law enforcement community, Cleveland Division of Police, and the Cleveland Police Foundation, as well as their unwavering commitment to community service and dedication to making our community a better place to live.

THE CLEVELAND POLICE FOUNDATION ANNUAL AWARDS

The Edward A. Lozick Memorial Man of the Year Award: Honoring lifetime achievement and significant accomplishments in their field.

The Thomas D. Ganley Memorial Community Service Award: Honoring outstanding community service.

The Samuel H. Miller Police Officer of the Year Award: Honoring outstanding police service significantly above and beyond the call of duty.

The CPF Founders Award for Excellence: Honoring excellence in furthering the mission of the Cleveland Police Foundation.
Chief of Police, Cleveland Division of Police

It’s no secret that over past few years the Cleveland Division of Police has experienced some challenging times. Some tragic incidents took place that led to friction between the police and segments of the community that were displeased over how the police handled them. Many called for drastic action, sometimes heatedly. As sides of the issues grew more galvanized in their positions, the communal mood of the citizenry seemed to plummet toward despair. Protest demonstrations and marches disrupted traffic and business, but for the most part remained peaceful contrary to what occurred in many other areas of the country.

During much of this time, as Deputy Chief of Field Operations, Calvin D. Williams led the largest and most challenging commands in the Division, effectively directing the delivery of police services throughout the City’s five police districts. Then, going from the proverbial frying pan into the fire, he was appointed the 40th Chief of the Cleveland Division of Police on February 10, 2014.

Hitting the ground running, Williams led from the front and by example, personally staying involved in responding to the scene of the demonstrations, initiating dialogue with protesters and joining with the members of the CPD and their law enforcement partners in diffusing potentially volatile situations.

He demonstrated these skills during the Republican National Convention as well as the arrival of over one million people to downtown Cleveland to celebrate the NBA World’s Championship Parade. With the assistance of their law enforcement partners, the Cleveland Division of Police rose to the challenge handling the crowds and traffic in both situations in an exemplary manner.

While many predicted an Armageddon-like event, headlines in the Washington Post read, “We Were Promised A Riot. Instead, in Cleveland We Got A Block Party.” The national and international media sang the praises of the City and especially the police. The civic consciousness grew more and more positive as a result.

It’s been said that to be in charge during good times is easy, but to be in charge during difficult times is the most challenging and a true test of leadership. It is with great pleasure that the Cleveland Police Foundation recognizes Chief Calvin D. Williams as the inaugural 2016 Edward A. Lozick Memorial Man of the Year for his distinguished career, exemplary leadership, and the success of the Division of Police in the face of the many challenges during his tenure.
COMMUNITY POLICING CLEVELAND STYLE

COMMUNITY POLICING
(It really works)

by Bob Guttu

The Success of Community Policing in the City of Cleveland

June 30, 2014

Michael McGrath
Public Safety Director, City of Cleveland
601 Lakeside, Room 236
Cleveland, Ohio 44114

Dear Director McGrath,

The Cleveland Police Historical Society & Museum and Cleveland Police Foundation believe the goal of establishing and maintaining safer neighborhoods is everyone’s desire and responsibility, and the entire community should share in this ideal.

We know well the value of developing and maintaining a strong partnership between the police and the citizens they serve. Within the mission of both the CPHSM and CPF is to work to facilitate partnerships that bring the police and citizens closer together and investing in a safe community.

In an effort to encourage a dialogue about how we as a community can work to forge partnerships that work collaboratively in making our communities safer, we are pleased to present to you the book Community Policing (It Really Works) by retired Cleveland Police Patrol Officer Bob Guttu.

During his career, Bob was an advocate of the Cleveland model of community policing. He still is. In his philosophy of community policing, when properly applied and administered, works. He and other officers assigned to the Mini-Station Unit applied a grass roots and common sense approach, encouraging individual citizens, neighborhood groups & leaders to work together to improve the quality of life in their neighborhood safer. The Mini-Station that Bob was assigned to was one of the most successful in the program.

The book is not meant as a “be-all, end-all” solution, but is a great source to begin the discussion on how to build more bridges and forge partnerships within the community, laying out a most important piece of the vision, which is the building of trust, communication and empowerment to the benefit of all.

We hope those who read this book develop a greater understanding of what community policing really is, and the potential it has for a positive impact on our community.

Respectfully,

Thomas E. Armell, President
Cleveland Police Historical Society

Charles W. Lane, Jr., Executive Director
Cleveland Police Foundation

Cc: Mayor, Safety Director, Chief of Police, Members of Council, CPF Executive Committee

To obtain a copy of the book visit the Cleveland Police Museum located in the main lobby of Cleveland Police Headquarters, or go to www.clevelandpolicefoundation.org.

During his career, Bob was an advocate of the Cleveland model of community policing. He still is. In his twenty-plus years working in the Bureau of Community Policing, Bob recognized early on that the philosophy of community policing, when properly applied and administered, works. He and other officers assigned to the Mini-Station Unit applied a grass roots and common sense approach, encouraging individual citizens, neighborhood groups & leaders to work together to improve the quality of life in their own communities; leading them to collaborate on building a greater sense of community and working to make their neighborhood safer. The Mini-Station that Bob was assigned to was one of the most successful in the program.
Associate Director of Trauma Services, Frontline Service

Each year, the Cleveland Police Foundation recognizes an individual that goes beyond the call of duty in making Greater Cleveland a better place to live, and honoring excellence in community service.

As the Associate Director of Trauma Services at Frontline Service, Rosemary H. Creeden oversees several programs that support victims of violent crimes, working closely with the Cleveland Division of Police and other local, state and federal law enforcement agencies.

Frontline’s most recent collaboration with the Cleveland Division of Police is the Co-Responder team, initiated in the summer of 2016 and being piloted in the Second Neighborhood Police District. This federally-funded project teams Frontline Service’s licensed mental health professionals with critical incident-trained police officers, the goal of which is to provide both crisis and follow-up care for individuals and families experiencing mental health issues in their home or community.

Rosemary has assisted the Cleveland Division of Police with reviewing the policies, training and responses to those in mental health crisis, and serves on Mayor Jackson’s Missing Persons and Sexual Assault Oversight, Domestic Violence Fatality Review, Heroin Task Force, STANCE, Cuyahoga County Marriage License, and Family Justice Center committees.

Rosemary was born in Boston as one of seven children. She received a B.A. in Social Work from Regis College and came to Cleveland as a Jesuit volunteer, working in a runaway shelter for homeless youth in Lorain County. After completing her volunteer service, she became the second director of the Genesis Battered Women Shelter and led that organization for 18 years, during which time, she went on to complete her master’s degree in Social Applied Science at Case Western Reserve University, studied and received a certificate in Marriage and Family Therapy from the Gestalt Institute of Cleveland, and became an Independently Licensed Social Worker with Supervisory Designation in the State of Ohio. She has co-authored and/or authored several articles and has received numerous awards for achievements and service to the community.

It is our honor to name Rosemary H. Creeden as the 2016 recipient of the inaugural Cleveland Police Foundation Thomas D. Ganley Memorial Community Service Award.
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Deputy Chief, Homeland Security & Special Operations

Deputy Chief Edward J. Tomba is a gentleman who has gained the respect of his peers and the community throughout his distinguished career with the Cleveland Division of Police. Working his way up through the ranks, his dedication, respectful manner with officers and citizens, expertise and leadership skills exemplify the best of “Cleveland’s Finest.”

As Deputy Chief of Homeland Security and Special Operations, Tomba oversees the investigative process of the Division of Police. His duties include coordinating the bureaus of Special Investigations, Special Services, and Homeland Services. These include SWAT, Narcotics, Federal Narcotic and Gang Task Forces consisting of members of the CPD and partnering law enforcement agencies from the federal, state, county and local levels; and specialized units in the CPD such as the, Homicide, Sex Crimes and Child Abuse, Intelligence, Aviation, Fusion Center, Airport, Domestic Violence, Auto Theft, and Financial Crimes; and Child Abduction Response and Use of Deadly Force Investigative teams.

He led the Division’s efforts in the development and implementation of programs that bridge the efforts of law enforcement and social services to respond to children and families whose lives have been devastated by violence, while engaging social service agencies and staff in working together in order to maximize the safety and dignity of those struggling with homelessness and mental health issues.

In 2014, Tomba was called upon to direct the CPD’s preparation and implementation of its operational plan for the Republican National Convention held in Cleveland on July 17-22, 2016. It’s no accident that the RNC was an amazing success from a policing and public relations standpoint. As Cleveland shined in the international and national spotlights, the Cleveland Division of Police and its numerous law enforcement partners drew praise from all segments of the community.

When asked to reflect on his career, Tomba replied, “Even as I start 32 years service, I’m still amazed by the dedication and work performed by the members of the Cleveland Division of Police. The challenges police officers face today can sometimes seem overwhelming, yet they respond and overcome the pitfalls they encounter.”

Born and raised on Cleveland’s east side, Tomba graduated from Benedictine High School, received a bachelor’s degree in Public Safety Management from Cleveland State University, and graduated from the FBI’s National Academy in Quantico, Virginia. In recognition of his distinguished career and commitment to the safety of our community, we are honored to name Deputy Chief Edward J. Tomba the 2016 recipient of the inaugural Cleveland Police Foundation Samuel H. Miller Police Officer of the Year Award.
THE GREATER CLEVELAND
Peace Officers Memorial Society
Mission Statement

• Honor all law enforcement officers who have died in the line of duty
• Provide assistance to the families of police officers who die in the line of duty
• Provide assistance to police officers seriously injured in the line of duty
• Establish and maintain the Greater Cleveland Peace Officers Memorial, dedicated on May 14, 1993, to honor the fallen law enforcement officers of the Greater Cleveland counties of Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, Lorain, Medina and northern Summit. The memorial is located in Huntington Park, West 3rd and Lakeside Avenue in Cleveland, Ohio.

• Assist law enforcement agencies with the planning and implementation of Line of Duty Death funerals
• Create public awareness of the hazards of the law enforcement profession
• Sponsor the Annual Greater Cleveland Police Memorial Commemoration
• Improve police-community relations
• Further the law enforcement profession by sponsoring educational, development, training, and humanitarian programs
• Promote fellowship in the law enforcement community
In 2012 during its inaugural year of operation, the CPF Board of Directors established its Founders Award which annually recognizes exemplary leadership, performance and dedication to the organization’s ideals and mission to support the members of the Cleveland Division of Police, its charitable endeavors, and to forge stronger ties with the community it serves.

This year, we are honored to name Captain Keith Sulzer as the 2016 recipient of the award, recognizing him for lending his talent, dedication, and commitment to giving back to the community while tirelessly working to further the mission of the Cleveland Police Foundation. His leading by example and outstanding efforts make it possible for the CPF and the Division of Police to take giant steps in making a positive impact in the community.

Since becoming the Liaison Officer to the Cleveland Police Foundation a little over two years ago, Keith’s positive energy, experience and drive made it possible for the CPF to expand its involvement in youth and adult community outreach, community policing and engagement initiatives, and support for police charitable endeavors.

When asked about his work as liaison to the CPF, Keith remarked, “The Cleveland Police Foundation has given me a glimpse of what may define my career. As a career-long advocate of community policing, this foundation has made me understand the impact one cop can have on people’s lives. The success of this foundation and the CPD is dependent upon every police officer seeing the possibilities of the lives they can change. CPF resources will bring about those changes, one cop at a time, one person at a time, one community at a time.”

Captain Sulzer is a graduate of St. Edward’s High School and received a bachelor’s degree in Business Economics from the College of Wooster. On June 19, 1990 he was appointed to the Cleveland Division of Police and upon graduation from the academy, he was assigned as a Patrol Officer in the 5th District. Throughout Keith’s career, he has excelled in his work and forged a reputation as a conscientious, hard-working officer committed to his family and dedicated to serving the community.

In recognition of his dedication to community service and commitment to making the Cleveland Police Foundation the best that it can be, we are honored to name Captain Keith Sulzer the recipient of the 2016 Cleveland Police Foundation Founders Award.
In partnership with the Cleveland Division of Police, Cleveland Police Patrolmen’s Association, and the Fraternal Order of Police Cleveland Lodge 8, the CPF proudly introduces the inaugural recipients of its Police Officer of the Month program. The program’s purpose is to recognize members of the Cleveland Division of Police that not only perform their duties in an exemplary and extraordinary manner, but also excel in efforts that are consistent with a major tenet of the CPF’s mission to strengthen the bonds between citizens and police officers... building bridges, creating opportunities for dialogue, and forging positive relationships within the community.

Beginning in January of 2016, the CPF’s Community Engagement Committee comprised of citizens, a CPF board member, and police officers began accepting nominations of candidates to be recognized. Already aware that officers in the Cleveland Division of Police routinely go out of their way to help their fellow citizens, committee members were not surprised by the large number of candidates. With so many outstanding officers, selecting one recipient per month proved to be a somewhat daunting task. For more information, visit: www.clevelandpolicefoundation.org/blog/news-newsletter/.

When asked why bestow these awards, CPF Executive Director Charles W. Lane, Jr. stated, “In today’s busy world, while some deeds may seem fairly insignificant, we hold out hope that such random acts of kindness may have a significant impact on a person’s life. Even if not, it’s nice to know that our police officers do for others what they would want someone else to do for a member of their family if the opportunity presented itself.”

Police officers across this great country perform similar deeds day-in and day-out, with little fanfare and really not seeking, nor even wanting recognition. We commend these officers for their compassion and personal commitment to making our city a better place to live.

2016 CPF Police Officer of the Month Award Recipients
We are honored to introduce the inaugural class of Police Officers of the Month. Recipients will receive a personal plaque in recognition of their good deeds, and perpetual plaques will be displayed at Cleveland Police Headquarters, the offices of the Cleveland Police Patrolmen’s Association, and the Fraternal Order of Police Cleveland Lodge 8 where they will serve as an inspiration to others.
JANUARY
Patrol Officer Jose Sabala - 1st Neighborhood Police District

Patrol Officer Sabala was called to investigate a homeless man camped out in front of an apartment building. Upon arrival, he located the man who said he didn’t feel safe in a homeless shelter and was staying on the street despite temperatures plunging to 15 degrees. Sabala noticed that the man had no shoes. Without hesitation, he gave him his work boots. After determining the male did not need medical attention or emergency intervention and was safe, Sabala requested permission to go home and get another pair of boots so he could continue his tour of duty. Playing down his action and wanting no recognition, PO Sabala’s fellow officers thought enough of his deed to nominate him for the award.

FEBRUARY
Sergeant Mitchell Sheehan - 2nd Neighborhood Police District

In 2015, Sergeant Sheehan, in speaking with a manager of a program working with the homeless, learned of an acute shortage of certain articles of clothing. Sheehan took action and organized a drive to collect and donate underwear and socks. With the assistance of officers from the 2nd District and citizens working with the police, the effort was a huge success and a local shelter was able to provide an adequate supply to those in need. This year, the drive was repeated and it grew in participation and donations, with the collection of over 800 pairs of socks, 500 pairs of underwear, as well as a mountain of jackets, blankets, scarves, hats, gloves and other items needed to fulfill the demand at homeless shelters in the area. The organizations then distributed the items as needed throughout the winter.

MARCH
Sergeant Timothy Maffo-Judd - 5th Neighborhood Police District

As a Patrol Officer and continuing after his promotion, Sergeant Maffo-Judd has consistently participated in community policing and engagement efforts. Some of his deeds include organizing the St. Martin De Porres Center clothing and gift drive, assisting with the 2nd District clothing drive for the homeless, providing bikes for children, and during the last two Christmas holiday seasons, assisting with the Bureau of Community Policing’s efforts to distribute gift cards obtained through donations to the Cleveland Police Foundation to citizens in need.
APRIL
Patrol Officers Nicole Corea and Travis Eubanks - 5th Neighborhood Police District

While on patrol one evening, POs Corea and Eubanks came upon a female panhandling at an intersection near an off ramp of I-90. They stopped to talk to the woman and learned that she needed money to feed her two children. With the assistance and permission of their supervisor, a call was made to a local shelter and arrangements were made for the officers to pick up the food and deliver it to the woman and her family.

MAY
Lieutenant Brian McEntee - 4th Neighborhood Police District

A young mother contacted Lieutenant McEntee at the 4th District and informed him that her daughter was turning four years old, and all she wanted for her birthday was to visit a police station. McEntee learned that the child liked teddy bears, and wanted a police uniform, badge, and a ride in a police car. The wheels began turning and with the help of other officers, they proceeded to give the youngster a very cool CPD birthday party, complete with a tour of the building and a ride in a zone car. Afterwards, cake and ice cream were served and the youngster was provided with a uniform complete with a hat, handcuffs, radio, and model police car. After the officers sang Happy Birthday, the child posed for pictures with her new friends. When leaving, she promised to come back very soon and visit again.

JUNE
Patrol Officers Michael Harper and Nicholas Lombardi - 5th Neighborhood Police District

Patrol Officers Harper and Lombardi met a young girl at the Boys and Girls Club in their area and struck up a quick friendship with her. She felt comfortable enough to ask the officers if they would come to her birthday party the next week. The officers made note of the date and surprised her by not only showing up at the party, but also bringing the cake! Everyone was very grateful for the officers taking the time to make the day even more special with their visit to wish their new friend a happy birthday.
JULY
Captain Thomas Mandzak - 2nd Neighborhood Police District & Commanding Officer, Bicycle Patrol Unit

The CPD Bicycle Unit, under the command of Captain Mandzak, made a huge impact during the Republican National Convention. Intended to be adaptable to all situations as well as mobile and responsive in heavy traffic, their intensive training months before ensured that they were that, and more. Residents commented how impressive they looked riding down the street in formation and even applauded them as they toured the East Bank of the Flats. Not only great in quick emergency response and crowd control situations, they were also incredible at engaging the community. Wherever they went, people loved to stop and talk to the officers and take photos. The members even made a dream come true when they encountered a young man riding a broken-down bike. Captain Mandzak and the officers arranged to get him a brand new bicycle donated from the manufacturer.

AUGUST
Deputy Chief Edward J. Tomba - Bureau of Special Investigations

For many years, Deputy Chief Tomba has worked in the development and implementation of programs that bridge the efforts of law enforcement and social services to respond to children and families whose lives have been devastated by violence. Additionally, he led the CPD’s preparation and implementation of its operational plan for the Republican National Convention, which also included engaging social service agencies and staff in working together in order to maximize the safety and dignity of those struggling with homelessness and other mental health issues during the RNC and throughout the year. Through his words and actions, Deputy Chief Tomba exemplifies community engagement and compassion for all.

SEPTEMBER
Detective Sean Smith - 5th Neighborhood Police District

A tiny dog fell into a street sewer drain one afternoon and its frantic owner called 911 for assistance. Officers from the 5th District arrived on scene, learned that the dog was very old and blind, and determined that it was in danger of being lost forever if not recovered expeditiously. The dog’s owner, who was handicapped, was distraught and near panic. Detective Smith, a noted dog lover who started the rescue group “Badges For Bullies” that works to save dogs from fighting rings, heard the radio broadcast and also responded. The officers pried open the manhole cover and Smith climbed down…. searching the sewer and eventually locating the dog. He carried it up and returned the dog to its grateful owner… a bit dirtier but no less worse for the wear.
OCTOBER
Patrol Officer Bohdan Roshetsky - 4th Neighborhood Police District

On bike patrol downtown during the Republican National Convention, Patrol Officer Roshetsky noticed a small group praying on the street. He felt that this moment was too compelling to ignore, so he approached and asked if he could join them in prayer. Upon completion, they became engaged in conversation and the group voiced their concerns for the safety and well-being of citizens, police, and our city during the RNC. Roshetsky assured them that the CPD and their LE partners would be doing their best to maintain the peace. One of the group’s members was from the city’s southeast side and was familiar with “Officer Bo’s” work and advised the others that he was “good people” and his word was good. Their fears allayed, the group hugged each other and agreed to be ambassadors for peace and understanding for the coming days of the RNC.

NOVEMBER
Detective Daniel Lentz - 1st Neighborhood Police District

Coming from a family with a long history of police service, it’s no surprise that Detective Lentz understands the importance of giving back to the community. On a Saturday off from work, he took time to brighten the spirits of a young boy he befriended from the area he works who’s battling cancer. Lentz made him an honorary Cleveland police officer for the day, outfitted him in a CPD uniform, arranged for him to receive tickets to the Indians game, and gave him a ride to the game in a police car. The boy was thrilled to be Lentz’s partner for the “tour.”

DECEMBER - At the time of this publication going to print, the December POM had yet to be determined.

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In addition to providing funding for youth and adult community outreach programs, community engagement initiatives, crime prevention and safety programs, and supporting the members of the Division of Police to help them better perform their duties, the CPF proudly supports the following charities in accomplishing their missions.

CLEVELAND POLICE ATHLETIC LEAGUE

The Cleveland Police Athletic League provides opportunities for children in the community to participate in positive, wholesome sports, recreational, and extracurricular activities. The programs sponsored by "PAL" provide thousands of youth between the ages of 5 and 21 with an alternative to life on the streets. PAL provides positive role models who encourage them to stay focused on their education, have respect for others, and become exemplary citizens. www.clevelandpal.org

CLEVELAND POLICE HISTORICAL SOCIETY & MUSEUM

The Cleveland Police Museum’s mission is to collect and preserve police history, and to use its collection and programs to foster mutual understanding and respect between our police officers and the public and to improve police service. The museum houses extensive and unique exhibits that chronicle the significant contributions made by the members of the Cleveland Division of Police and its predecessors since the founding of the Western Reserve. www.clevelandpolicemuseum.org

GREATER CLEVELAND PEACE OFFICERS MEMORIAL SOCIETY

The Greater Cleveland Peace Officers Memorial Society honors all peace officers that die in the line of duty. The Society helps to keep the promise to never forget our fallen heroes by providing assistance to the families of officers who make the ultimate sacrifice, maintaining the Greater Cleveland Peace Officers Memorial, hosting the annual Police Memorial Commemoration, assisting law enforcement agencies with the planning and implementation of full-honors funerals, and driving many other programs that help to raise public awareness of the hazards our police officers face daily. www.policememorialsociety.com
THE CLEVELAND POLICE MOUNTED UNIT CHARITABLE TRUST

The bond between police officers and their horses is special, and these equine ambassadors also serve to strengthen the relationship between our police and citizens. The Cleveland Police Mounted Unit Charitable Trust is supported by individuals and organizations that value the unique contribution the Mounted Unit makes in our community, and provides financial support to ensure its continued service. www.clevelandmountedpolice.com

CLEVELAND POLICE HONOR GUARD

The Cleveland Police Honor Guard ensures that all appropriate courtesies are rendered at the funerals and memorial services for active and retired police officers, especially those who die in the line of duty. Additionally, they represent the Division at civic functions, parades and sporting events by serving as its color guard, and with its precision marching and drill routines.

THE PIPES AND DRUMS

The Pipes and Drums of the Cleveland Police, formed in 1996, serves as the musical component of the Ceremonial Team. Representing the Division and the law enforcement community of Greater Cleveland at ceremonial events, parades, and civic functions, the band has performed throughout northeast Ohio, the United States, Canada and Ireland. Sadly, in its short history its members have rendered final honors to more than 75 law enforcement officers who died in the line of duty, and over 25 military personnel who made the ultimate sacrifice in defense of our country. www.cpdpipesanddrums.org

CLEVELAND COPS FOR KIDS

The Cleveland Cops For Kids mission is to establish and strengthen positive relationships between police officers and our city’s greatest asset, our kids. This program allows officers who encounter children who are victims of crime, abuse, neglect or other traumatic situations to respond not only with compassion and concern for their welfare, but to also provide the means necessary to support timely aid and assistance, such as food, clothing, gifts, and other care.
“We Were Promised a Riot, In Cleveland We Got a Block Party Instead!” - Washington Post

Contrary to this headline, the City of Cleveland, the Cleveland Division of Police and its amazing law enforcement partners from throughout the United States proved to the world that Clevelanders and their guests could come together from all different sides of the political spectrum and ideologies, demonstrate, shout out their platforms and party in peace and harmony.

While some were predicting an Armageddon-like event, and the tone from a small part of the media even seemed disappointed that the “block party” was the norm, the many thousands of folks who visited town for the Republican National Convention were most complimentary about our city and in particular our police.

As if to forecast that the block party would come to pass for the RNC, the members of the Cleveland Division of Police and its law enforcement partners stood the acid test a few weeks prior at the after-victory celebration by over 100,000 people who crowded downtown the night the Cleveland CAVS won the NBA Championship. A few days later, they rose to a much greater challenge as 1.3 million people flooded the City for the CAVS’ Victory Parade. A positive civic consciousness grew out of the CAVS’ win, the successful way the events were handled by the safety forces, and the overall peaceful way Clevelanders celebrated.

Congratulation to “Cleveland’s Finest” and their law enforcement partners from across the U.S.A. for the outstanding performance of your duties, and again making Cleveland proud!
In an effort to improve neighborhood and residential safety, the City of Cleveland holds its annual Handgun & Assault Weapon Buyback. The program allows citizens to dispose of unwanted operable firearms in a safe and secure manner while receiving gift cards and tickets to professional sporting events. They leave with the knowledge that the weapons won’t fall into the wrong hands, being used to perpetrate violent crimes or if improperly handled, result in accidental injury or death. An added bonus is that the weapons are melted down and recycled into steel for producing appliances, vehicles and other household products.

The program is funded through grants and donations from corporations, organizations, businesses and individuals. For 10 years, ArcelorMittal, one of the leading steel manufacturers in the world, locally has been the program’s most ardent supporter. The company not only provides grants to allow for the purchase of gift cards to “buy” the firearms, but also the meltdown of the firearms which are then recycled into steel produced at its Cleveland mill.

Other key supporters are Dave’s Markets, TrueNorth Shell, the Cleveland CAVS, Cleveland Gladiators and Cleveland Monsters, formerly the Lake Erie Monsters.

ArcelorMittal VP and General Manager Eric Hauge welcomed the opportunity for his company and employees to play a key role in the program stating, “Steel is the most recycled product in the world. It’s good to know that these weapons will be put to good rather than violent use.” Arcelor Mittal’s partners, the employees from United Steelworkers Union Local 979, are also enthusiastic about their involvement in this initiative to make our community safer, and all in the community wishing to reduce violence and accidental injuries and deaths welcome their support.

Chief Calvin D. Williams stated, “We know that as a result of this program someone’s life will be saved, and we are encouraged that the police and community are working together to get these guns off the street.”

Editor’s Note: The City of Cleveland’s 10th Annual Handgun & Assault Weapon Buyback is tentatively scheduled for November 05, 2016, and ArcelorMittal is again a presenting sponsor.
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Six years ago then Police Chief Michael McGrath brought together police officers from the Cleveland Division of police and 30 kids from the community for a morning of Lake Erie fishing on a charter fishing boat. The event was met with great appreciation from both the officers and the kids, as they got to “hang out” together in a relaxed atmosphere doing fun things together. The day proved to be a great learning experience for all.

Recognizing the value of this event, McGrath wished not only repeat it, but to grow the program to reach as many kids as possible if the funding could be obtained.

When the Cleveland Police Foundation began operation five years ago, funding was scarce. In order to continue the fishing day the next summer, a couple of board members personally donated funds to sponsor it and another successful fishing outing was in the history books. By the third year, two fishing outings were held – one on Lake Erie; and another larger, land-based outing at the pond in Rockefeller Park on MLK Blvd. Again, another great time was had by all.

With the help of the Cleveland Police Foundation and funding received from an Ohio Department of Natural Resource grant, the following year grew to five fishing outings... one for each of the five Neighborhood Police Districts. The objective was simple: to get kids from neighborhoods together with the officers that work in them so they could get to know one another. It worked, and the Cops For Kids Fishing program was born.

In 2016, with the Republican National Convention being held in Cleveland and the resulting demand on police personnel for training, planning and preparation, it was feared that the outings might have to be tabled for the season. When the kids from the neighborhoods and the officers from the Districts heard that might be the case, they requested that the CPF do what it could to host them again.

Not wanting to disappoint, and with another grant from the ODNR, five more Cops For Kids Fishing Outings were held and 175 kids from throughout the city participated, along with over 50 officers on the charter boats and even more on the land-based “meet and greets.” During lunch at all of the outings, the kids had an opportunity to visit and speak with officers from the Canine, Motorcycle, Mounted Units, SWAT and other units. Wayne Bratton, Captain of the Holiday Charters vessel and host of three of the outings, probably said it best when he commented, “It’s great to see the kids and officers working together, learning and fishing, and having fun. That’s what it’s all about.”
LFL Now in All CPD Neighborhood Stations

Joining in a nationwide effort to improve literacy and making police station lobbies more inviting and kid-friendly, the Cleveland Police Foundation and the Cleveland Division of Police partnered to open the last of seven Little Free Libraries in CPD facilities. With the placement of the two new units, Little Free Libraries are now located in all five Neighborhood Police District Headquarters throughout the City, in the Sex Crimes & Child Abuse Unit, and the lobby of CPD headquarters.

Chief Calvin D. Williams said, "We are pleased to be able to provide these libraries in our stations and making books readily available to children and encouraging positive interaction with our police officers."

Little Free Libraries is a national program that helps to promote literacy by placing unique libraries in various locations and providing access to literature. Children are encouraged to read or take a book, then bring it back or replace it with another book that they have enjoyed.

Books for the libraries are supplied mainly through donations from police officers and their families, citizens and community groups. The initial supply came from a huge donation of 1,000 books from the students at Chardon Middle School.

The two newest libraries were unveiled at the Voices Against Violence event held in Lincoln Park in the City’s Tremont neighborhood this past August. At the event’s conclusion, the units were moved to their permanent homes in the lobbies of the headquarters of the First Neighborhood Police District, 3895 West 130th Street and the Fifth Neighborhood Police District, 881 East 152nd Street.

All seven of the CPD’s Little Free Libraries honor the memories of Cleveland Police Officers and one FBI agent that died in the line of duty. The library in the First District is dedicated to the memories of Detective Jonathon Schroder and Detective Robert Clark, killed in the line of duty August 31, 2006 and July 1, 1998 respectively; and the Fifth District’s library is dedicated in the memory of Patrol Officer John Hubbell, killed in the line of duty on June 4, 1979. Other libraries honor the memories of FBI Special Agent Johnny Oliver (D-2), and Cleveland Patrol Officers Wayne Leon (D-3) and Derek Owens (D-4). All were shot and killed in the line of duty.
The last two libraries were a result of a great collaborative effort. Materials were purchased from donations from the family of fallen Patrol Officer John Hubbell, the Greater Cleveland Peace Officer Memorial Society, Converyer & Casters Corporation, and RGI International of North Ridgeville. The United Brotherhood of Carpenters & Joiners Union Local 435 and the Pre-Apprenticeship Training Program of the Cleveland Job Corps Center teamed up to donate the labor to build them, a savings estimated to be $2,400.

The Little Free Libraries in other CPD facilities were also a result of the generosity of many individuals and organizations that contributed to the effort. Special thanks to: Akeesha Abdullah, Margaret Bernstein, Chadwick Literacy Foundation, Chardon Middle School, FBI, Citizens Academy Foundation of Cleveland, Cleveland Job Corps Center, Converyer & Casters Corporation, Federal Bureau of Investigation Cleveland Office, Greater Cleveland Peace Officers Memorial Society, the Grealis & Hubbell families, Ryan Ireland, Scott Labuda, Ted Pinnock, RGI International, Setta Trophy, Dan Volpe and David Lummis of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners Union Local 45, the Vascular Medicine Department of Cleveland Clinic, WKYC-TV, and all who made financial contributions.
The CPD Bureau of Community Policing unveiled its Cops For Kids cargo truck at the second annual “Voices Against Violence” community event held at Lincoln Park in the city’s Tremont neighborhood this past August.

The truck is decorated with images communicating positive messaging about community engagement and includes the CPD, CPF and police charities’ logos. Although referred to as the “Cops For Kids” truck, it serves many purposes such as supporting the community outreach initiatives by the members of the CPD and its affiliated charities.

When informed that the vehicle would be gifted to the city, CPD Deputy Chief Wayne Drummond said, "This is a welcome addition to our efforts in reaching the community and will significantly assist in conveying equipment and supplies into the neighborhoods so we can participate in community events. Thank You CPF!"

The purchase of the truck was made possible through a grant from the Saint Luke’s Foundation and individual donations raised through a grassroots social media campaign. Additionally, U-Haul of Cleveland made available the best possible vehicle for purchase, and was most supportive in taking steps to ensure that the “like-new” truck would meet the Division’s needs.

Local firm HKM Direct Marketing Communications lent their expertise to have the truck “wrapped,” emblazoning it with the messaging to make it the “traveling road show” the CPD desired in order to communicate its mission.

In June, a reverse raffle was held to pay for the finishing touches and equipment needed to get the truck ready for rolling into the neighborhoods. That night, with the supports of Mike and Sharon Hargrove, who raffled off their suite at Progressive Field for an Indian’s game, the project was successfully 100% funded.

Thanks to all who made this a reality, and for helping our officers to be able to more effectively perform their community outreach activities.
The Cleveland Police Foundation is proud to have sponsored the CPD Plane Pull teams for the third consecutive year. The four CPD teams competed with others for bragging rights about pulling a huge passenger jet over a short distance in the best time. The annual event, held at Cleveland Hopkins International Airport, raised funds for Special Olympics Ohio.

A total of 40 teams competed in this year’s challenge, and Team CPD won three of the four divisions in the co-ed, public safety, and general competition categories, but most importantly, raised $4,655 for this great cause.

This year’s Plane Pull event raised nearly $50,000 for Special Olympics Ohio. The CPF is very proud of the police officers, their families and friends for participating and helping out that day.

Over the last five years, Team CPD has raised over $20,000 for Special Olympics Ohio.

In a short period of time, the CPF has woven its mission into the fabric of law enforcement and the community we serve. With the CPF’s assistance, the relationship we have with our community is growing stronger than ever. Thanks to all who support the CPF.”

Edward J. Tomba
Deputy Chief, Bureau of Homeland and Special Operations
The Pipes and Drums of the Cleveland Police was formed in 1996 in conjunction with the 160th anniversary of the Cleveland Division of Police, and the Bicentennial Anniversary of the City of Cleveland. The band represents the Division and the law enforcement community at ceremonial functions and community events. The Pipes and Drums of the Cleveland Police is an incorporated non-profit organization.

Membership in the band is exclusive, and includes only active and retired police officers. Over the years, the band has grown and is representative of the spirit of camaraderie and fellowship that exists in the law enforcement profession. The members of the band serve as patrol officers, detectives, and superior officers in the Cleveland Division of Police as well as other local, state and federal law enforcement agencies throughout Northeast Ohio.

Since making its first public appearance at the Cleveland Police Memorial Service on May 15, 1997, the band has performed over 1,000 times for various police ceremonial functions, funerals, memorial services, parades and other civic events. The band’s main priority has always been, and will continue to be, paying final respects to our fellow brothers and sisters in blue who have sacrificed their lives in defense of their respective communities and their citizens. The band has also assisted with the funeral services for many members of our Armed Forces who have died as a result of the global conflicts our country has experienced over the years.

On May 15, 2002, the Cleveland Pipes and Drums served as the host band at the National Peace Officers Memorial Service in Washington, D.C., which commemorated the 235 law enforcement officers who died in the line of duty in the United States in 2001, including the 71 officers killed in the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001. Additionally, they performed a memorial wreath-laying at the World Trade Center site (Ground Zero) in November, 2001, and for the Port Authority Police of New York and New Jersey Memorial Service for their 37 officers lost on September, 11 2001.

In September, 2002 the band returned to New York for activities related to the first anniversary of the attacks, including the NYPD memorial service commemorating their 23 officers lost on that dreadful day. On May 15, 2003, they returned to Washington, D.C. to serve as the guest band at the National Peace Officers Memorial Service, conducted a wreath-laying ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknowns at Arlington National Cemetery, and played a tribute to our fallen military heroes in the Tomb’s rotunda.
Members from the band have had the unique opportunity to play with several highly acclaimed musicians and groups such as the Chieftains, Seven Nations, and local Irish bands Bridget’s Cross and The Porter Sharks. The band has traveled extensively throughout the mid-western and eastern United States, Canada and Ireland representing the Cleveland Division of Police at various events, and they look forward to continuing that course.

As the Cleveland Pipes and Drums celebrate their 20th Anniversary, they would like to remember all of their fellow brothers and sisters in the law enforcement profession who have gone before them. The band would especially like to honor the memory of Pipe Major Ed Donovan, Founding Member Angelo ‘Louie’ Ortiz, and Detective Ann Marie Ziska.

Any active or retired law enforcement officer interested in joining is encouraged to contact the Pipes and Drums at 216-623-3335. The group provides instrument instruction and uniforms, as well as an opportunity to be a part of a unique fellowship that is at the heart of the police profession.
In its relatively short history, the Cleveland Police Foundation has registered countless success stories made possible by the support of businesses and individuals, and through collaboration with many partners. The pages of this journal allowed you to witness a few examples of how the CPF, the Cleveland Division of Police, and others are working together to make good things happen.

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