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Foundation Seeks Donations from Individual Donors and Local Businesses to Cover Annual Cleveland Police Gift Card Program

Cleveland, OH (November 6, 2020)—As the holiday season approaches, the Cleveland Division of Police encounters folks who are in need of food, clothing, housing and good cheer!

For years, the Cleveland Police Foundation (CPF) has collected gift cards from various establishments—restaurants, grocery stores and markets, retail and shopping centers. The concept is to help bring Cleveland residents closer to the police officers who protect them. The Foundation turns these gift cards over to Cleveland police officers in all districts for distribution to deserving families and individuals.

“There are several ways you can help the police and their communities,” said Grant Dinner, Cleveland Police Foundation board chairman, “The first is through the donation of gift cards. Your cash donations are also welcome. In a recent year, a single generous donor provided a major gift to underwrite this campaign.”

According to Dinner, the Cleveland Police Foundation will pick up gift cards to simplify the donation process for campaign supporters. Cash donations can be made on the CPF website at www.clevelandpolicefoundation.com.

“Community engagement and positive interactions with citizens are two things that are extremely important to the men and women of the Cleveland Division of Police,” said Cleveland Police Chief Calvin D. Williams. “The gift card program has been successful in years past, allowing our officers to bring joy and assistance to members of our community during the holiday season. We appreciate the assistance from the donors who make this program possible.”

More information about this fundraising campaign can be found at www.clevelandpolicefoundation.com or by contacting CPF Executive Director Rick DeChant at 216-536-6776. Please note that the Cleveland Police Foundation is a registered 501(c) (3) non-profit organization with both the IRS and the State of Ohio, so your donation is tax-deductible.

About the Cleveland Police Foundation

The Cleveland Police Foundation 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. Our mission is to strengthen the bonds between the Cleveland Division of Police and the citizens it serves, working together to make our city safer. To accomplish this goal, the CPF works proactively to support and invest in programs, community policing initiatives and events that foster stronger relationships between citizens and police officers and police charities. The Cleveland Police Foundation was incorporated July 7, 2005 and is a recognized 501(c) (3) organization. All contributions are tax deductible. For more information, visit www.clevelandpolicefoundation.org or email info@clevelandpolicefoundation.org .