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THE PARTNER

The Partner is the official newsletter of the Cleveland Police Foundation



As the holiday season approaches, the Cleveland Division of Police encounters folks who are in need of food, clothing, housing and good cheer!

The Cleveland Police Foundation is seeking donations from individual donors and local businesses to help cover the Annual Cleveland Police Gift Card Program.

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.

“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,” says 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.”

As we are a 501(c) (3) non-profit organization, your donation is tax-deductible. We invite you to donate online, [here](#).

[Donate to Gift Card Program Here](#)



"Stuff the Truck" Toy Drive December 5

On Saturday, December 5 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m, the Cleveland Police Foundation and Skylight Financial Group will participate in ["Stuff the Truck,"](#) a drive-through toy collection to brighten the holidays for local children. The event is at Ohio City Square at W. 25 and Lorain in Cleveland.

To participate, you can purchase a new, unwrapped toy (approximate value \$20) suitable for children ages newborn to 18 and bring it to the event. Monetary donations are also welcome.



DECEMBER 2020 COMMUNITY PARTNER Evelyn Badeas

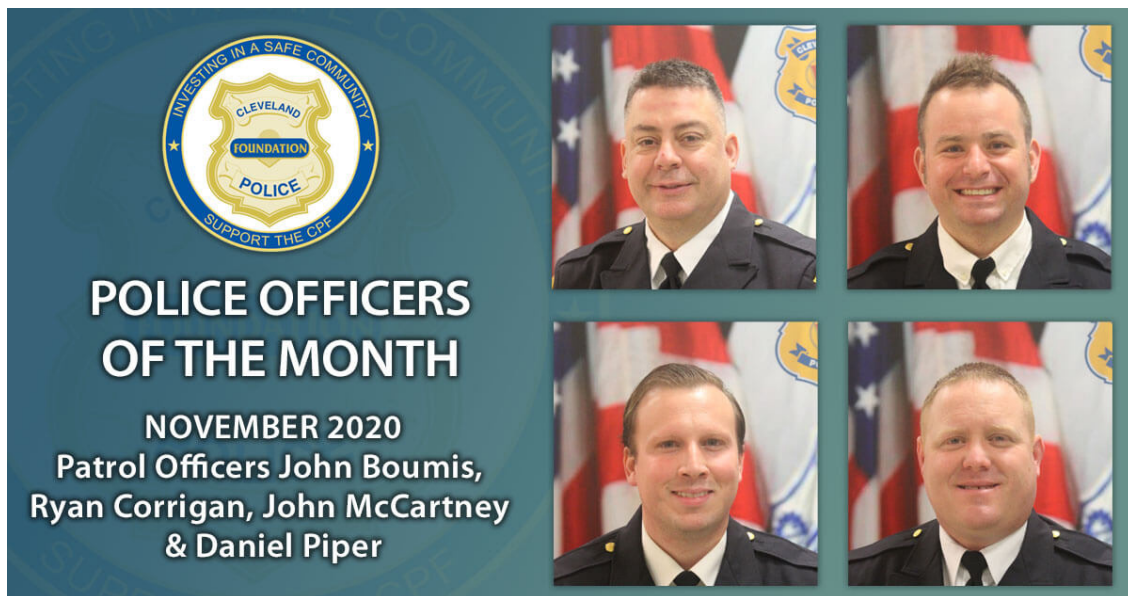
Evelyn Badeas (shown above with Captain Keith Sulzer) has been supporting the events of the Cleveland Police Foundation for the last six years!

Ms. Badeas has been extremely generous with her time and money in helping the CPF help those in need in our community. Evelyn sells tickets to CPF fundraisers and assists with the set-up of the Kids Christmas parties for struggling families. Throughout the year, she shops for closeout deals and sales, spending hundreds of dollars of her own money to purchase toys and children's clothing. These are donated to the CPF Christmas events and the annual Providence House Baby Shower.

Retired CPD Captain Keith Sulzer says, "Evelyn is incredibly generous and is always looking for opportunities to help CPF and CPD with our giving events. What's even more special is she brings along her children to help, making her presence even more impactful and being a wonderful example to her kids on what it is to give back to your community!!"

It is because of her generosity and dedication to her community that the Cleveland Police Foundation is honored to name Evelyn Badeas as its **Community Partner of the Month for December 2020**.

[More about the Community Partner of the Month Program . . .](#)



The Cleveland Police Foundation is honored to recognize Patrol Officers John Boumis, Ryan Corrigan, John McCartney and Daniel Piper as the November 2020 Police Officers of the Month.

Even though the COVID-19 pandemic has put the police officer-to-citizen one-on-one contact to the test, four officers from the Cleveland Division of Police Fourth District proved the Community Policing concept is alive and well!

These four outstanding police officers went beyond the call of duty. Recently while on patrol, **Officers John Boumis and Daniel Piper** were flagged down by an East 68th Street resident. This citizen was visibly upset because her home was struck by a car several days beforehand and she couldn't afford to have all the debris in front of her house and the surrounding area cleaned up. So these two officers recruited **Officers Ryan Corrigan and John McCartney** and they all returned to the woman's home a few days later. Working together, they disposed of all debris and cleaned up the area for this very thankful Clevelander!

When asked about this unselfish act of kindness, Cleveland Police Fourth District Sergeant Ray O' Connor stated, "During a time when everyone wants to focus on the negative, I feel we should shine a spotlight on this over-and-above act of Community Policing."

It is because of this act of kindness and dedication that the Cleveland Police Foundation is proud to name Patrol Officers John Boumis, Ryan Corrigan, John McCartney, and Daniel Piper as its **Police Officers of the Month for November 2020**.

[More about the Police Officer of the Month Program . .](#)



NOVEMBER 2020 COMMUNITY PARTNER Alex & Dana Boone, Rhino Boone Family Foundation

Native Clevelander Alex Boone has been a long-time supporter of the Cleveland Division of Police and the Cleveland Police Foundation. He and his wife Dana oversee the Rhino Boone Family Foundation.

Alex, who played football at St. Edward High School and The Ohio State University, went on to play for nine years in the NFL with the San Francisco 49ers, Minnesota Vikings, and Arizona Cardinals.

While in Cleveland, Alex often accompanied police officers to MetroHealth to visit the children in the Pediatric Unit, he supported the CPF pancake breakfast fundraisers and gave much financial support.

Alex and Dana and the Rhino Boone Family Foundation recently sent the CPF a large donation on behalf of Captain Keith Sulzer's retirement from the Cleveland Police. This significant contribution was split up to support CPF's umbrella charities and interests including Officer Derek Owens' Memorial Park, Cops for Kids, The Heroes Fund, and the Cleveland Police Mounted Unit Charitable Trust! A big thanks for this generous and thoughtful donation.

It is because of their understanding of the importance of supporting the Cleveland Police and investing in Cleveland neighborhoods that the Cleveland Police Foundation is honored to name Alex and Dana Boone and the Rhino Boone Family Foundation as its **Community Partners of the Month for November 2020**.

[More about the Community Partner of the Month Program...](#)

CLE PAL Coats for Kids Event

Akidz Club and CLE PAL distributed about 100 coats to kids and families on

November 20, 2020 at Brightside Academy!

The beautiful and very warm coats were provided by the organization Coats for Kids. We are extremely grateful to them for generously helping us in this very special event. *Literacy in the Hood* also gave out books to every child that attended the event!



All of the families also received food, a holiday stocking full of treats, and drawstring backpacks from CareSource.



The entire event was organized by CLE PAL volunteer and board member Resee Brown who has been doing this for several years now.

We would like to thank Resee for all her hard work and all our community partners: Councilman Pernel Jones, CareSource, Brightside Academy, Literacy in the Hood, Coats for Kids, and Akidz Club.

A warm Christmas is a Merry Christmas!

PAL King of the Ring Boxing Competition

The Cleveland Police Athletic League sponsored the King of the Ring Boxing Competition on Saturday, November 21st, 2020 at the LaSalle Theatre located on East 185th Street.

It was the first boxing competition sponsored by CLE PAL since the beginning of the pandemic. The show was organized by promoter Doug Patterson, who did an outstanding job.



Many precautions and safeguards had to be put into place in



order to host the competition. Twenty-four boxers participated in the event and there was a great display of their skills and talents.

Cleveland PAL would like to thank Doug Patterson and all of our other sponsors, and our CLE PAL DJ Officer Tony Harper! A big shout-out as well to Alexander Belisle, the CLE PAL official photographer who takes awesome photos for us at all our activities.

Cleveland PAL promotes great sportsmanship!



**Cleveland Police Annual
Second District Holiday Sock and
Underwear Drive**

**Please Support Your Second District
Cleveland Police By Giving To The Annual
Holiday Clothing Drive To Support Our Homeless
Community**

**Our Homeless Community is in Need of Socks
and Underwear During the Cold Months.
We are Asking for New Underwear
for Adult Men and Women**

**Any Questions Call (216) 623-5209
and Ask for Lt. Maffo-Judd**

10/31/20 - 12/25/20
Drop Off Donations to the Second District or Request a Pick Up

We get mail

Thanks to our Officers from the community

"Thank you so very much! May God Bless abundantly!" ☺🙏❤️🌟

- Gina Marie Gilberto




Congratulations!!! Praying God will continue to bless and keep you safe as you perform your duties." 🌹🌹🌟🌟

- Mary E. Simmons

"Thank you for your service."

- Kim Matousek Hummel

October POM Brooklyn Barnes

"I sometimes seriously wish you [PO Barnes] worked in my neighborhood. We honestly need more like you! Congratulations! The fact that you threw a little boy his like first birthday party ever is the most awesome thing! I might have only met you once but I know this you were raised right much love congratulations and thank you for your service to the community."   

- Coty Lee

CPF and Police Officers in the Community

Simply amazing amount of work – impossible to track it all! [Here are photos](#) from a handful of the many different events local Police Officers were involved in over just a one month period.



Safety and Crime Prevention Tips

The Cleveland Police Foundation in partnership with the Cleveland Division of Police and the Ohio Crime Prevention Association presents these tips so residents can help to make our community safer.

Stay Safe from Falls in Winter

PRACTICE MINDFULNESS

Focus on the present and be aware of your surroundings, instead of being lost in your thoughts. STAY SAFE.

STAY BENT

The moment you sense you've lost your balance, get ready to fall with bent elbows and knees. When people panic they become rigid, and you are most likely to fall on an outstretched hand which could result in a broken wrist or elbow.

PROTECT YOUR HEAD

If you're falling forward, be sure to turn your face to the side. If you are falling

backward tuck your chin to your chest, so your head doesn't hit the ground.

LAND ON THE MEAT

If you find yourself falling, try to land on the meaty parts of your body - the muscles in your back, butt or thighs. If you keep your knees and elbows bent and look to land on muscle you'll be less likely to crack your elbows, knees, tailbone or hips.

KEEP FALLING

When you fall your instinct will be to stop your body as quickly as you can. But your safest route is to keep rolling because the more you give in to the fall, the safer it will be. Spread the impact across a larger part of your body and don't concentrate impact on one area.

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Safety is everyone's business. Practice good safety measures. Stay alert; if you see something, say something.

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The Cleveland Police Foundation is the official charity for the Cleveland Division of Police and the only organization authorized to solicit charitable contributions on its behalf.

In addition to providing funding for youth and community outreach programs, community policing and

engagement initiatives, safety & crime prevention programs, and supporting the members of the Cleveland Division of Police to help them better perform their duties, the CPF proudly supports the following charities in accomplishing their mission.



Contributions to the CPF are tax deductible under section 501 (c)(3) of the IRS Code.

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