

# THE BACKSTOPPERS<sup>®</sup> INC.



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The BackStoppers<sup>®</sup> provides ongoing needed financial assistance and support to the spouses and dependent children of all police officers, firefighters and volunteer firefighters, and publicly-funded paramedics and EMTs who have lost their lives in the line of duty.

In addition to our mission of supporting survivor families, BackStoppers provides financial assistance for public safety officers who suffer a catastrophic injury performing their duty.

## How We Help

- Eliminate the surviving family's debt
- Provide health, dental, and vision insurance coverage
- Reimburse for out-of-pocket medical expenses
- Cover tuition and educational cost from day care through university
- Pay home insurance, real estate taxes, and property taxes
- Assist with miscellaneous extraordinary expenses
- Provide direct financial assistance to catastrophically injured first responders

## Our Assistance

- Currently supports approximately 95 families with 70 dependent children
- Has supported over 180 families since 1959
- Provides roughly \$2.5 million in assistance annually

## Who We Are

- The BackStoppers<sup>®</sup>, Inc. Police Officers' and Firefighter's Fund, Tax ID 43-6032561
- 501(c)(3) organization founded in 1959
- Funded by membership, individual and corporate donations, and fundraisers
- Managed by a 30-person Board of Directors; Board members are not compensated
- Serviced by Executive Director Col. Ron Battelle, retired Chief of Police, St. Louis County, and staff of five associates

## Serving 28 counties in Missouri and Illinois

- Missouri: Cape Girardeau, Crawford, Franklin, Gasconade, Jefferson, Lincoln, Montgomery, Perry, Phelps, Pike, St. Charles, St. Francois, St. Louis City, St. Louis County, Ste. Genevieve, Scott, Warren, Washington
- Illinois: Bond, Calhoun, Clinton, Jersey, Madison, Monroe, Perry, Randolph, St. Clair, Washington

## You Can Make an Impact

- Become a Sustaining Partner for as little as \$10 per month
- Become a Member; levels for individuals and businesses begin at \$150 annually
- Donate by credit card, direct debit from bank account, PayPal, and check
- Support the Education Fund
- Attend, volunteer, sponsor, or organize an event
- Shop the online store
- Stay connected; receive our newsletters and follow @BackStoppers on social media

*Learn more about our mission and how to get involved at [BackStoppers.org](https://BackStoppers.org)*