The BackStoppers® 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 or suffered a catastrophic injury in the line of duty.

How We Help Families of Fallen Heroes
- Eliminate the surviving family’s debt
- Provide medical, dental, and vision insurance coverage
- Reimburse for out-of-pocket medical expenses
- Cover tuition and educational costs from day care through university
- Pay home insurance, real estate taxes, and property taxes
- Assist with unforeseen extraordinary expenses

How We Help Families of Catastrophically Injured Heroes
- Provide financial assistance up to $150,000 directly to the family
- Provide medical, dental, and vision insurance coverage as needed
- Reimburse for out-of-pocket medical expenses as needed
- Cover tuition and educational costs from day care through university as needed

Our Assistance
- Currently supports approximately 95 families with 70 dependent children
- Has supported over 200 families since 1959
- Provides roughly $2.5 million in assistance annually

Who We Are
The BackStoppers®, Inc. Police Officers’ and Firefighter’s Fund, Tax ID 43-6032561
- 501(c)(3) organization founded on September 11, 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

Service Region: 28 Counties in Missouri and Illinois

You Can Make an Impact
- Become a Sustaining Partner for as little as $10 per month
- Become a Member; levels begin at $100 for public safety officers and $150 for civilians
- Donate to the general fund or the Education Fund
- Attend, volunteer, sponsor, or organize an event
- Stay connected; receive our newsletters and follow @BackStoppers on social media

Learn more about our mission and how to get involved at BackStoppers.org