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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi All,

The past few months have been challenging for law enforcement officers due to COVID 19 and now an additional challenge has been thrust upon them, having to deal with the protests, looting and rioting around the country over the death of George Floyd.

I normally do not like to second guess someone's actions that occurred during an incident I did not personally witness. But after viewing the video of George Floyd, face down on the ground with an officers knee across his neck, while Floyd was repeatedly saying he could not breathe, I was shocked and in disbelief. I could not imagine a justifiable defense for the officers action.

I understand people being angry, frustrated and protesting his death. I too am angry and frustrated by the officers callous and reprehensible actions. But what I don't understand is the wanton destruction, looting and physical attacks on the police that is taking place around the country over the actions of one police officer who was fired and arrested shortly after the incident.

I am angry and frustrated by peaceful protests being hijacked by outside agitators, thugs and hoodlums.

I am angry and frustrated that all law enforcement officers are being blamed for the actions of a few.

I am angry and frustrated after watching the video of a Baltimore police officer being punched in the face and then a second time after the suspect pulled away from another officer restraining her. I am angry and frustrated that the Mayor of Baltimore condemned the restraining officer for using the same amount of force that she used, when he restrained her again.

I am angry and frustrated by politicians condemning the actions of police officers before all of the facts are known and for blaming law enforcement for their failed social initiatives and experiments.

I am angry and frustrated by politicians who are caving in to the demands of anarchists and Marxist who want to create a revolution to overthrow our government.

I am angry and frustrated that the only time black lives matter to the leaders of Black Lives Matter is when a black life is taken by a police officer, but not when a black life is taken by a black person.

I am angry and frustrated that there are acts of hatred and prejudice by some people of all races, nationalities and religions.

I am angry and frustrated that some of our club members feel it is necessary for safety reasons to remove anything that identifies them as a retired law enforcement officer or police supporter. (To remove your personal information from numerous internet databases and **to tell if your webcam has been hacked** see pages 11-14).

I am angry and frustrated that the police are blamed for societal problems that they have no control over.

I am angry and frustrated that the disparities in our judicial system is blamed on racism when studies show that it is caused by poverty.

I am angry and frustrated that children of all races will face adversity due to the lack of a two parent family structure.

Our Next Membership Meeting (Virtual) is
Tuesday, July 14 at 7:00 PM
[http://www.charlotte10-13.com/](http://www.charlotte10-13.com)

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

I am angry and frustrated that the murderers of NYPD police officer Phil Cardillo were taken into custody and then released because of a fear of a riot and were never brought to justice.

I am angry and frustrated that NYPD officers Gregory Foster, Rocco Laurie, Waverly Jones, Joseph Piagentini, Edward Byrne, Wenjin Liu, Rafael Ramos and Miosotis Familia were cowardly assassinated, because they wore a blue uniform.

Where were the protests or voices of rage after these deaths?

I am angry and frustrated that 48 police officers were shot and killed last year and 25 have been shot and killed so far this year.

I am angry and frustrated that everyone can tell you the name of the man who was killed by the police in Minneapolis on May 25, but very few can tell you the name of any of the 6 police officers who have been shot and killed since then.

I am angry and frustrated that during my first 5 years in the NYPD 625 police officers were shot and killed in the USA, including 27 from the NYPD.

The cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) benefit payments for September 2020 through August 2021 is 1.0%.

As a result, an eligible retired member with a maximum retirement benefit of \$18,000 or more will receive a maximum increase of \$15 per month beginning with the September 2020 payment. (Eligible members receiving a maximum retirement benefit under \$18,000 will receive a lesser monthly increase.)

This latest COLA brings the cumulative maximum monthly increase since COLA legislation was enacted in 2001 to \$378 (see chart below).

New York's permanent, automatic COLA is designed to help offset inflation's adverse effects on the fixed retirement benefits of the state's public retirees. By law, the COLA can be no less than 1% and no more than 3% annually and is applied only to the first \$18,000 of the retirement benefit. The COLA percentage is calculated by taking 50% of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) increase from one March to the next and rounding up to the nearest tenth. The CPI increased 1.54% from March 2019 to March 2020.

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COLA Eligibility

To be eligible for a COLA, you must either be:

- At least age 62 and retired at least five years; or,
- At least age 55 and retired at least 10 years; or,
- A retiree receiving a disability benefit for at least five years (regardless of age); or,
- A surviving spouse of an eligible retiree receiving a lifetime benefit. (By law, the spouse receives an increase equal to one-half the COLA the retiree would have received.)

Retirees who become eligible for the COLA after September will receive their adjustment when first eligible.

COLA Percentages and Maximum Increases

COLA Effective Date	CPI Increase	COLA	Maximum Monthly Increase*
Sep-20	1.54%	1.00%	\$15.00
Sep-19	1.86%	1.00%	\$15.00
Sep-18	2.36%	1.20%	\$18.00
Sep-17	2.38%	1.20%	\$18.00
Sep-16	0.85%	1.00%	\$15.00
Sep-15	-0.07%	1.00%	\$15.00
Sep-14	1.51%	1.00%	\$15.00
Sep-13	1.47%	1.00%	\$15.00
Sep-12	2.65%	1.40%	\$21.00
Sep-11	2.68%	1.40%	\$21.00
Sep-10	2.31%	1.20%	\$18.00
Sep-09	-0.38%	1.00%	\$15.00
Sep-08	3.98%	2.00%	\$30.00
Sep-07	2.78%	1.40%	\$21.00
Sep-06	3.36%	1.70%	\$25.50
Sep-05	3.15%	1.60%	\$24.00
Sep-04	1.74%	1.00%	\$15.00
Sep-03	3.02%	1.60%	\$24.00
Sep-02	1.48%	1.00%	\$15.00
Sep-01	2.92%	1.50%	\$22.50

*Maximum monthly increase for eligible retirees with a maximum retirement benefit of \$18,000. Retirees receiving a maximum retirement benefit less than \$18,000 received a lesser monthly increase.

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CORONAVIRUS LATEST NEWS

People traveling from **Texas** and eight other states to **New York, Connecticut or New Jersey** must be in quarantine for 14 days upon arrival, New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo said Wednesday during a briefing with fellow Northeast governors. Confirmed cases in New York, which enacted strict social distancing guidelines, have been on a steady decline since May. On Tuesday, Texas Gov. Greg Abbott said the hospitalization rate in his state had reached "an all-time high." The other states affected by the quarantine order are **Alabama, Arkansas, Arizona, Florida, South Carolina, North Carolina, Utah and Washington.**

As we celebrate Independence Day we must not forget the true meaning of the day.

244 years ago, on July 4th, 1776 in a struggle for righteousness and freedom our great nation was proudly born. May we celebrate that precious freedom for which our forefathers fought so bravely by honoring this great nation of ours.

Fly the American flag proudly, say a prayer for the members of our armed services who are in harms way and remember the men and woman who have sacrificed their well being and lives to preserve our country's freedom.

Please pray that God will heal our land and bless the United States of America.

Fraternally



Harvey Katowitz



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LIVES
MATTER!**



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The NYPD has lost its sixth detective to the coronavirus pandemic.

Christopher McDonnell, a 54-year-old first-grade detective in the Intelligence Division, was confirmed Friday as the 44th member of the department, and the sixth detective, to succumb to COVID-19, according to the president of the Detectives' Endowment Association.

McDonnell left behind a wife and 14-year-old son Trevor — both of whom his friend and former partner said the detective adored.

“Not only [was he] one of the finest detectives I’ve ever worked with, but one of the kindest human beings I’ve ever met,” Detective Jeffery Ward told The Post.

McDonnell joined the NYPD in 1991 and worked in Staten Island, lower Manhattan and the Narcotic Division, according to the union. Ward, who worked with McDonnell in the late 1990s through the early 2000s, said McDonnell “definitely earned the distinction of a first-grade detective.

“We call ourselves the greatest detaches in the world, and Christopher truly exemplified that,” he said.

The detective died May 6, but his positive-test result for the virus didn’t come back till Friday.

DEA President Paul DiGiacomo described McDonnell as a “constant professional” and the union will help his family as if he died on the job.

“This COVID virus is the invisible bullet, and we will treat [it] no different than if he was shot in the line of duty,” DiGiacomo said.

Seven uniformed members of the force, as well as 37 civilian employees , have died from COVID-19, according to the NYPD.



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NYPD Chief of Transportation William T. Morris, one of the department's top executive cops, died Saturday, June 6, from complications of COVID-19, police officials said.

Morris, 61, a three-star chief sworn in this past December, was in charge of traffic control, enforcement and highway patrols.

Commissioner Dermot Shea made the announcement Sunday in a Tweet in which he said, "It saddens me to inform you that, after nearly 39 yrs of service to the people of NYC, Chief of Transportation William T. Morris passed away on Saturday from [#COVID19](#). The condolences & prayers of the entire department are with Billy & his loved ones during this difficult time."

Chief of Department Terrence Monahan also mourned Morris in a Tweet saying, "NYC was a much different place in 1981 when Chief Billy Morris came on the Job. He was always proud to work alongside the greatest men & women in law enforcement to help turn around our city — that's his legacy. We are all grateful to Billy for his service. Rest In Peace, friend."

Other high-ranking officers including Deputy Commissioner of Counter Terrorism John Miller and Transit Bureau Chief Edward Delatorre, also had coronavirus, but recovered and have returned to duty.

Delatorre and Morris apparent were together in March and at other at Bellevue Hospital in Manhattan after a transit cop shot herself dead. They and other top cops have been together at numerous functions in February and the beginning of March.

Morris is the 45th member of the department to die of Coronavirus.

Morris began his career on patrol after being appointed to the NYPD in July 1981. He served in posts throughout the city and commanded several precincts, including the 105th and 113th, and serving as executive officer of the 110th Precinct.

"The greatest things have been the opportunity to make a difference and the opportunity to accept every challenge for which the Police Department has selected me," Morris told the Queens Courier in 2010 when he was appointed Commander of Queens South.

Morris has a bachelor's degree from Queens College and a juris doctorate from Fordham University School of Law. A 1995 graduate of the Police Management Institute at Columbia University. He also served as a borough commander in Manhattan. Morris leaves behind a wife of 30 years and has three children.

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Inspector Jason Lenz
June 18, 2020

Inspector Justin Lenz, veteran NYPD commander and National Guard member, dies from heart attack: police
By THOMAS TRACY

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Inspector Justin Lenz, a 30-year NYPD veteran and National Guard member once hailed for giving his badge number to a fellow soldier, died from an apparent heart attack, officials said.

He was 55.

Lenz died Thursday, according to the NYPD Steuben Association, which represents cops of German or Austrian heritage. He was the Executive Membership Secretary of the organization.

His last assignment in the NYPD was as commanding officer of the department's Office of Professional Development.

Before that, he led cops in the 101st Precinct in Far Rockaway.

"Hearts all over Far Rockaway are broken today with devastating news that former C.O. Justin Lenz has passed away," the 101st Precinct said on Twitter Friday. "He was a selfless patriot who dedicated his professional life to public service. Our prayers go out to his family as we all mourn the loss of this true leader/friend."

Lenz joined the department in 1990 and spent his time between the NYPD and the U.S. Army National Guard, where he held the rank of Master Sergeant.

In 2003, he served in the Iraq War with Donovan Bunch as part of the the 442nd Military Police Company. Lenz was one of 23 NYPD police officers in the unit, which is based in Orangeburg, N.Y.

Lenz and Bunch became friends and when Bunch decided to join the NYPD in 2015, the inspector proudly gave him his old shield number 2571, an honor that is usually passed down from parent to child within the department.

"We've been friends for a long time — carrying on a shield number, it was just an honor for me to wear it," Bunch [told the Daily News](#) at the time.

Outside of his career, Lenz was a die-hard athlete who would participate in races and athletic competitions, friends said.

Lenz is survived by his wife and two children. A wake, following social distancing rules, will be held at Charles J. O'Shea Funeral Home in Wantagh, N.Y. on Monday followed by a funeral mass at the Parish of St. Barnabas in Bellemore, N.Y.



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Police Officer Efren Coronel
El Centro, CA PD
EOW: Wednesday, June 3, 2020
Cause: COVID19



Sheriff Andy Deric Clark
DeKalb Co., MO Sheriff's Office
EOW: Wednesday, June 3, 2020
Cause: Automobile crash



P.O. Keith Williams
Metropolitan PD, Washington, DC
EOW : Thursday, June 4, 2020
Cause: COVID 19



Sergeant Damon Gutzwiller
Santa Cruz Co., CA Sheriff's Office,
EOW: Saturday, June 6, 2020
Cause: Gunfire



Border Patrol Agent Johan Mordan
US Dept. of Homeland Security
Border Patrol
EOW: Thursday, June 11, 2020
Cause: Duty related illness



Corrections Officer V Thomas Ade-dayo Ogungbire
Texas Dept. of Criminal Justice
EOW: Thursday, June 11, 2020
Cause: COVID19



Deputy Sheriff James Blair
Simpson Co., MS Sheriff's Office
EOW: Friday, June 12, 2020
Cause: Gunfire



Police Officer Dale Thomas Provins, Jr.
Jefferson Hills Borough, PA PD
EOW: Saturday, June 13, 2020
Cause: Automobile crash



Wildlife Officer Julian Keen, Jr.
Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission
EOW: Sunday, June 14, 2020
Cause: Gunfire



Police Officer Destin Legieza
Brentwood, TN PD
EOW: Thursday, June 18, 2020
Cause: Automobile crash



Police Officer Michael Lee
Navajo Division of Public Safety
EOW: Friday, June 19, 2020
Cause: COVID19



Master Detention Deputy Lynn Jones
Lake Co., FL Sheriff's Office,
EOW: Wednesday, June 24, 2020
Cause: COVID19



Correctional Officer Richard Bianchi
California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, CA
EOW: Thursday, June 25, 2020
Cause: Automobile crash



Sergeant Dale Multer
Travis County Constable's Office - Precinct 5, TX
EOW: Sunday, June 28, 2020
Cause: COVID19



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I was a police officer

Author unknown

Today, I will not answer the radio call that your boyfriend has come home drunk and is beating you again.

Today, I will not answer the radio call that your 16 year old daughter, who is very responsible, is four hours late coming home from school.

Today, I will not answer the radio call that your store has been robbed or your house has been burglarized.

Today, I will not stop a drunk driver from killing someone. I will not catch a rapist or a murderer or a car thief.

Today, I will not answer the radio call that a man has a gun or tried to abduct a child or that someone has been stabbed or has been in a terrible accident.

Today, I will not save your child that you locked in a car or the child you were too busy to watch who went outside and fell into the swimming pool, but that I revived.

No, today I will not do that.

Why?

Today, I was suspended from duty for doing my job, because the media, socialists, community organizers, lawyer who formally represented terrorists and is a city attorney general, a mayor who ran on an anti-police agenda, and people who know nothing about policing, have vilified my profession.

Today, I was killed by a drunk driver while I was helping push a disabled car off the highway.

Today, I was shot and killed during a routine traffic stop to simply tell someone that they had a taillight out.

Today, I was killed in a traffic accident rushing to help a citizen.

Today, I was shot and killed serving a warrant on a known drug dealer.

Today, I was killed by a man when I came by to do a welfare check because his family was too busy.

Today, I was killed trying to stop a bank robbery or a grocery store robbery.

Today I was killed doing my job.

A chaplain and an officer will go to a house and tell a mom and dad or a wife or husband or a child that their son or daughter or husband or wife or father or mother won't be coming home today.

The flags at many police stations were flown at half-mast today but most people won't know why.

There will be a funeral and my fellow officers will come, a twenty-one-gun salute will be given, and taps and bagpipes will be played as I am laid to rest.

My name will be put on a plaque, on a wall, in a building, in a city somewhere.

A folded flag will be placed on a mantel or a bookcase in a home somewhere and a family will mourn.

There will be no cries for justice.

There will be no riots in the streets.

There will be no officers marching, screaming 'no justice, no peace.'

No citizens will scream that something must be done.

No windows will be smashed, no cars burned, no stones thrown, no names called.

Only someone crying themselves to sleep tonight will be the only sign that I was cared about.

I was a police officer



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VIGILANT AT ALL TIMES, AS L.E.O. SYMBOLS MAY
DRAW NEGATIVE ATTENTION and / or
INTERACTIONS FROM PERSONS WHO DO NOT
VIEW POLICE OFFICERS FAVORABLY**

**Any MOS who does become the subject of a hostile encounter
while off duty or experiences vandalism to personal property
should contact the Intelligence Bureau.**

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How to remove your personal information from numerous internet databases.

[Online Name removal](#)

Site-specific removal instructions **Spokeo**

Spokeo provides an opt-out process that is fairly straightforward: Ready to protect your identity & secure your private information:

PROTECT MY IDENTITY

1. Go to Spokeo.com and search for your name.
2. Right-click on the listing you want to remove.
3. Select "Copy link address" from the drop-down menu.
4. Go to Spokeo's opt-out page.
5. Paste the URL into the "Enter URL here" box and use the email you created above for the email address box.
6. Click the "I am not a robot" prompt.
7. Click "Remove This Listing." 8. Open the confirmation email and click the link at the bottom.

Spokeo usually processes opt-out requests within 24-48 hours, depending on the nature of the request and how much data is involved.

Note: You may have multiple profiles on Spokeo. Often, variations of your name or address will generate new profiles. To ensure you remove all your profiles, search different combinations of your name for every city you've lived in.

MyLife

To remove yourself from MyLife, follow these steps:

1. Enter your name in the search field on MyLife.com.
2. Switch the toggle for "This is Me" and click "Search For Score."
3. Select "See My Background & Reputation Score" and wait for your report to generate. This may take several minutes.
4. To see your profile, enter your name and personal information, using the temporary email address you created earlier, and click "Continue." You don't need to pay to view your report.
5. Copy the URL of your report page to use in the next steps.

You then have two options for removing your profile completely:

1. Remove your profile by phone. Call MyLife customer support at 1-888-704-1900 and tell them that you'd like to delete your profile(s).

Have the following information handy: • Name • Age • Date of birth • Email • Current address • At least one previous address. Tell them that you want your listing removed from their site and affiliated sites. Then, provide the information that they ask for.

2. Remove your profile via email

Send a note to privacy@mylife.com. For example:

PeopleSmart

To remove yourself from PeopleSmart:

1. Visit PeopleSmart's opt-out page, which is run by BeenVerified.
2. Fill out the requested information (using the temporary email you created earlier), check the box certifying that you are the person listed.
3. Add any other information you wish to remove.
4. Click "Continue."

In most cases, PeopleSmart/BeenVerified will process your opt-out request within 45 days.

Intelius

Removals on Intelius are fairly simple.

1. Go to the site's opt-out page.
2. Enter your information and click "Search."
3. Click "Select & Continue" next to the record you want to remove.
4. Enter the email address you created earlier and complete the form. 5. Open the confirmation email and click the link at the bottom.

It takes about 72 hours for Intelius to delete your personal information. US Search

Intelius purchased US Search in 2010. As such, US Search and Intelius use the same online optout form and procedures. 1. Go to the opt-out page. 2. Enter your information and click "Search." 3. Select the record you want to remove. 4. Enter the email address you created earlier and complete the form. 5. Open the confirmation email and click the link at the bottom.

Your content should disappear within 72 hours. Whitepages

The following instructions are for removing personal information only. If you want to delete business information, you can do so by filling out a service ticket.

Ready to protect your identity & secure your private information?

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PROTECT MY IDENTITY

However, because **Whitepages** gets its business information exclusively from third-party sources, such as Infogroup/Express Update, it's a good idea to contact these firms directly to remove your business details from as many sites as possible.

To remove your personal information from Whitepages, follow these steps:

1. Search for yourself on the site by entering your first and last name, along with your city and state.
2. Scroll down past the Premium Results to find your listing.
3. Click "View Details."
4. Confirm that this is the correct listing by verifying your address.
5. Copy the URL for the listing, paste it into the site's Opt-Out page, and click "Opt-out."
6. Click "Remove me" on the confirmation page that pops up.
7. Select a reason for your removal request from the drop-down menu and click "Submit."
8. Enter your telephone number, check the affirmation box, and click "Call Now to Verify." You will receive a four-digit code.
9. Follow the instructions and input the code when prompted during the authorization phone call.

The page should update with a confirmation that Whitepages is processing your removal request.

You can also submit a Whitepages CCPA take-down request if you live in California.

Radaris

To remove your information from Radaris, you need to claim your profile and then "hide" it from public view.

1. Enter your first and last name, as well as your city and state, into the search form.
2. Choose the profile that most closely resembles you on the results page that appears.
3. On your profile page, click the down-arrow by the orange Background Check & Contact Info button and choose "Control Info" from the drop-down menu.

Has your personal information been exposed online? REMOVE MY INFORMATION

1. From the information control page, choose "Control Info."
2. Create an account using your temporary email address, or log in if you already have an account.

From here, you can either remove all your information or just delete certain records.

To hide all information:

1. Confirm your real name matches your account and profile name.
2. Enter your cellphone number to obtain a verification code.
3. Enter the code to make your profile private.

To hide specific records:

1. Enter your name, email, the reason you want the record hidden, and the captcha code.
2. Click "Submit" to receive an email containing your confirmation link.
3. Click the email link. This completes the request.

Most requests are completed within 48 hours. Radaris will send you an email when it has hidden the records.

Additional things to watch for

Unfortunately, getting people-search sites out of your life is more complicated than simply issuing a few removal requests. These sites have a vested interest in making it as hard as possible to truly get your information removed, and there are a few pitfalls you need to watch for:

- **Upsells:** Oftentimes, they'll try to sell you a subscription to one of their products during the opt-out process. Read all the fine print carefully. It should never cost you anything to get off of a people-finder site.
- **Name variations:** These sites usually make multiple profiles for the same person under different name variations. You'll need to do a thorough search on each site to find all your potential profiles.
- **Recreated profiles:** If some new piece of information about you appears online, or if someone with a similar name moves to a new address, a new profile may get created for you automatically. That's because most of these people-finder sites assume all variations are a brand-new person. You'll have to go through the opt-out process again. Automatic, ongoing opt-outs.

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Webcam Security: How to Stop Your Camera from Being Hacked

Webcams are everywhere: in our laptops, in our security systems, and in our phones wherever we go. Yet webcam security is often a blind spot for even the most secure systems, leaving most webcams vulnerable to hacking. Learn how to tell if your webcam is hacked, and find out how to improve your webcam security and protect your privacy.

Can your webcam get hacked?

Webcams enable us to stay in touch with far-flung friends, family, and colleagues. However, webcams can also be used by hackers to spy on you. **Any webcam, including built-in laptop and phone cameras, can be hacked and used for webcam spying.** It's easy to think you're safe from hacking on a private network, but without extra security, you may still be vulnerable to webcam hacking.

How does a webcam get hacked?

Hackers can gain webcam access with [malicious software](#) (malware). Many types of malware allow hackers to activate your webcam remotely, compromising your webcam privacy. Here are the most common ways you can accidentally get webcam-hacking malware on your device.

Clicking on bad links

Clicking on dangerous links or downloading untrusted content can infect your device with malware — including [Trojans](#), which are disguised as legitimate software. Before clicking a link, check to make sure it leads to a [legitimate website](#) with no suspicious letter or number combinations in the URL. You can do this by hovering over the link before you click it to verify its destination. It's also a good idea to use a [trusted antivirus program](#) to prevent malware from infecting your device.

Remote tech support

Third-party remote tech support services, while convenient, are **rife with scammers** and hackers who'll take advantage of the access you grant them to your devices. Remote access allows [tech support scammers](#) to potentially leave malware behind without your knowledge. Make sure to vet any tech support provider before signing up for their service, or take your device into a local, certified brick-and-mortar specialist.

Out-of-date software

Out-of-date software for any device, including webcam software, **is vulnerable to hacking.** The holes that may have been patched with an update are still exposed in older versions. The older the software is, the more likely it is that someone has found a way to hack it by [exploiting vulnerabilities](#). This is true for phones as well as for laptops and desktops.

The dangers of webcam hacking

[Hacking of any kind puts your device at risk](#), but **webcam hacking poses some unique dangers.** Hackers can use your webcam to spy on you at your most unguarded moments. A cybercriminal may also be able to use a hacked webcam as a gateway for delivering additional malware, potentially exposing your personal data and financial information. Without dedicated security, hackers can easily compromise your webcam and infiltrate your device for [spying](#) or spreading [viruses](#).

Webcam scams

Because we keep our webcam-equipped devices in some of our most intimate spaces, it's possible for hackers to take compromising pictures of us, or at least claim to have done so. Many cybercriminals, whether they have taken any images or not, may try to [extort victims](#) in order to get money or personal information.

How common is webcam hacking?

Webcam hacking may be more common than you might think, largely because it's so easy. Would-be hackers can learn how to hack a webcam with a basic Google search. Many victims may not even realize that their webcam has been hacked.

[A recent study by WizCase](#) found that **more than 15,000 webcams** of many different models and software versions **were unsecured** and therefore vulnerable to hacking. Many of these webcams were located in private residences, making it easy for criminals to infiltrate people's [smart home networks](#) and spy on their most intimate spaces. So no webcam is safe without proper security protocols in place.

How to tell if your webcam has been hacked

1. **Check the webcam indicator light:** Is it on, even though you aren't using the webcam? This could be a sign of a hacked webcam, or it could be connected to a browser extension.
2. **Check your open apps and browser extensions,** deactivating one at a time to find a potential suspect.
3. Then, **see if your webcam process is running** — if it is, reboot your device to check if your webcam activates automatically. Any sign of unauthorized use could mean that you have a hacked webcam.

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SAFETY & SECURITY

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4. If the process isn't running, **try activating the webcam yourself**. Do you receive an error message stating that it's already in use? Don't rely on the indicator light as a foolproof signal — these lights can be configured to remain off even when the webcam is in use. Many webcam hackers will do just this.
4. **Look for saved audio and video recordings** in your webcam folder. If you find any that you didn't record yourself, you might have a hacked webcam.
5. **Use a tool such as [Avast Hack Check](#)** to determine whether your email address and any other accounts that use it have been compromised in a data breach. A hacker who has your login credentials can worm their way into your personal accounts and/or devices.

What to do if you're a victim of webcam hacking

If you find any signs of webcam hacking on your device, no need to fear — there are several things you can do right now to lock hackers out and prevent further security breaches.

Unplug and/or disable your webcam device

The first and easiest thing to do is to **disconnect the webcam** from your device. For an external webcam, unplug it. An internal webcam must be disabled. You can do this by checking the settings on your device, turning off the camera, and denying all applications access to it.

Change your passwords

Even the strongest password is useless if your webcam has already been hacked, but strong passwords are essential for prevention. If password protection is a feature on your webcam, enable that feature with a [strong password](#) that will be hard for hackers to guess. Then, change the password on your device, as its security may now be compromised. Use a password generator such as the [Avast random password generator](#) to create a strong password that will better protect against hackers in the future.

Protect yourself against webcam hackers

Even if you've protected your webcam with a password, hackers may still be able to gain access to it. But you can still protect your webcam from hacking. The following tips will show you how to secure your webcam with even stronger protection.

Update your webcam software

Webcam makers are **constantly updating** their software for better **security and privacy protection**. The few minutes it takes to install a software update are well worth the enhanced webcam privacy you'll enjoy as a result — especially when compared to the risks of using a device with outdated software.

Avoid suspicious links and downloads

This one seems like a no-brainer, but it bears repeating. We can all let our guard down while combing through emails or scrolling through news feeds. **When you see a strange email** or a link that doesn't seem quite right, **don't click on it**. Stay suspicious — this is your best defense against [phishing](#) and other online attacks. Strong security software, such as [Avast Free Antivirus](#), will make this easier for you as it automatically detects and blocks malware and suspicious links.

Use a VPN

Public Wi-Fi and other unsecured networks are particularly vulnerable to hacking. If it's not possible to avoid using a public Wi-Fi network, [use a VPN](#) to secure your device. Set up a VPN on your device to hide your IP address from hackers and encrypt your traffic to prevent spying. Download a VPN like [Avast SecureLine VPN](#) on your device to guarantee anonymity and privacy any time you're connected to the internet.

Keep your security software up to date

In addition to your webcam and system software, **make sure your security software is up to date** as well. Only the most current version of your security software is best equipped to protect against hackers and the malware they might be looking to use against you. If you use Avast, we'll keep your antivirus software updated automatically.

MEMBERSHIP



2020 Monthly Meeting Dates

July 14 Sept. 11 Nov. 10
 Aug. 11 Oct. 13 Dec. 8



IN MEMORIAM

Fortunately, nothing to report



SICK DESK UPDATE

Ben Pepitone is recovering from surgery for blocked arteries



No new members in June



We currently have 414 members, 287 from the NYPD and the remainder from 64 other law enforcement agencies.

IMPORTANT NOTICE!

Our in person membership meetings are canceled until further notice.



BIRTHDAYS



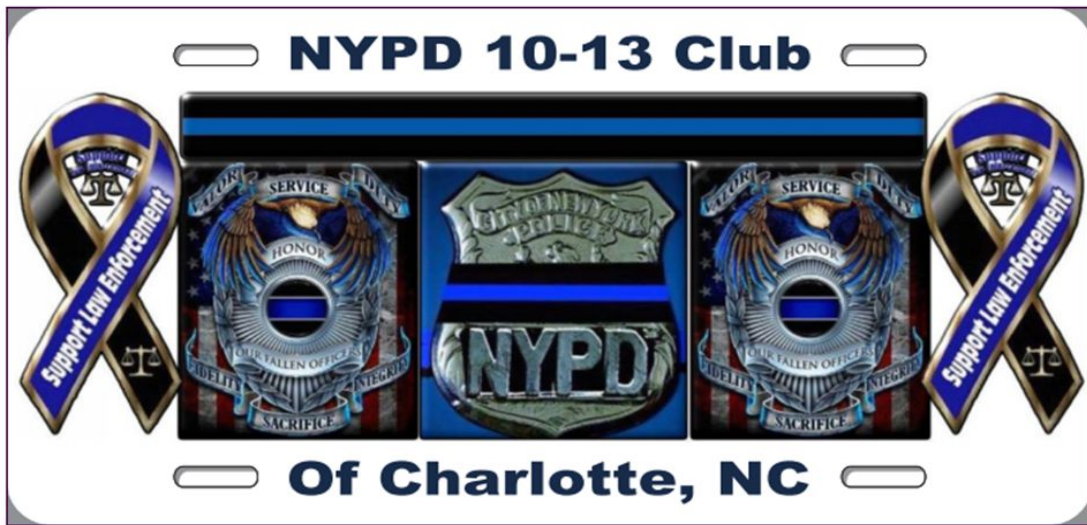
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McGrouther, Ian	7/6
Poncia, Christine	7/6
Camhi, Marty	7/7
Eisenberg, Rich	7/7
McDonald, Gary	7/8
Esposito, Jerry	7/10
Jones, Gordon	7/10
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Green, Joe	7/16
Salerno, Joseph	7/17
Simmons, John	7/18
Partee, Michelle	7/19
Sarter, Lenny	7/19
Meury, James	7/21
Brown, Mark	7/22
Blake, Tabatha	7/25
Dargon, Larry	7/22
D'Alessio, Dennis, Jr.	7/25

CLUB MERCHANDISE

These license plates will be available for purchase at our monthly membership meetings.

\$10 per plate or \$20 for the 3 plate set.



TRUSTEE'S



When our Club was initially formed with 35 members it was easy for our club President to respond to emails from our members now that we have over 400 members, the task has become a full-time job and difficult for him to do in a timely manner. To alleviate this problem our trustees have been assigned to designated geographical areas. If you have a question, problem or concern, please correspond with your designated trustee.

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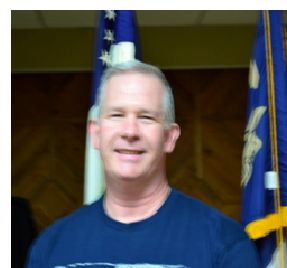
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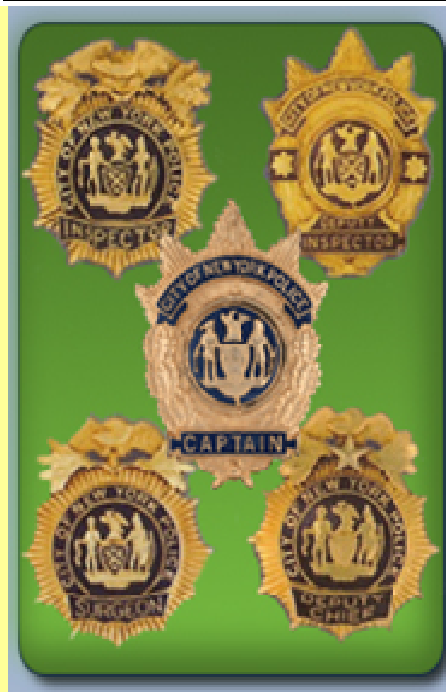
Kevin Gribbon



Ian McGrouther



Ben Pepitone



**9/11 Tribute Museum
Complimentary
Tickets**



**2 Complimentary
Tickets**



9/11 Tribute Museum

<http://nypdcea.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/08/911-tribute-museum.pdf>

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June 20, 2020

Dear Board Members, Presidents, Members and Friends:

With summer and warm weather upon us, I think there has never been a more dangerous time for our active brothers and sisters, not to mention that there is a nationwide assault against law and order. In addition, let's not forget the officers throughout the country that gave their lives or were injured during the recent riots.

For the 2019-2020 New York State Legislative sessions, we worked very hard to move forward with our Legislative Agenda. We were able to obtain additional co-sponsors for legislative bills and this was achieved without our Annual Lobby Day trip to Albany due to the Coronavirus pandemic. We had also received verbal commitments from numerous legislators. It appeared that we were going to have a successful legislative session. Then "BOOM" the coronavirus comes upon us and Albany shuts down.

After the New York State budget was approved, eventually we started communications again with Albany. I mailed 35 Thank You and Request to Co-sponsor Our Bills letters to legislators who had already co-sponsored at least one of our bills. As the legislative session was moving along, "BOOM" the George Floyd incident happens which starts riots throughout the country. But as usual, New York City is at the forefront of the craziness and the anti-police movement. It is crazy the anti-police bills that the state legislators and city council members are proposing, needless to say our 2020 Legislative Agenda went nowhere. We have started preparing for the 2021-2022 legislative session by sending out more than 25 Letters of Support, as has our Hudson Valley chapter. In addition, the NYPD Retired Sergeants Association, of which I am their Legislative Representative, has sent out the same Letter of support. After the June 23rd primaries, and as the November New York elections approach, we will start distributing "PAC" funds to our key legislative supporters.

This is a sad and somber time for any civil servant retiree, in particular police related bills. But we will not give up and surrender. We must remain strong and remain together to protect and enhance our hard earned benefits, now more than ever.

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National NYCPD 10-13 Organizations, Inc.



On another note, I am truly honored to have been re-elected President of the National NYCPD 10-13 Organization. I would like to thank you all for your support and trust in me to lead the National in its future endeavors. I would like to thank my Executive Board; Rich Molloy, Marie Zolfo, John McLoughlin for continuing to stay on with me. I also want to thank Hudson Valley President John Briganti for accepting the first vice-President position and Rich Morrill who was appointed Chairman of our Committees. I would like to especially thank President Emeritus, Anthony V. Perrone for his many years of dedication and service to all of us. Tony will remain active with the National. I still cannot believe how lucky we are to have such a knowledgeable and dedicated team to continue the work of the National.

On behalf of the Executive Board, I want to thank all of our Chapter Presidents, Executive Boards and their members for their dedication and continued support of the National 10-13 Organization.

SAVE THE DATES: Our 31st national Convention will be held at the beautiful Villa Roma Resort on September 13th to 15th, 2020. I recently spoke with the management of Villa Roma and was advised that the facility, including all amenities will be operational on June 22nd and all coronavirus safety issues have been addressed and all precautions will be adhered to. Please make every effort to attend our convention this year.

Again, I want to say "Thank You" for your support. I look forward to seeing many of you at the National Convention this September.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Frank Martorella".

Frank Martarella



Synopsis of the June 18, 2020 Board Meeting

- **The 2020 Board was sworn in and their 2 year term will coincide with the Boards of the National Chapters**
 - Frank Martarella** - President
 - John Briganti** - 1st Vice President
 - Richard J. Molloy** 2nd Vice President (Not sworn in due to being hospitalized)
 - Marie Zolfo** - Secretary
 - John McLoughlin** - Treasurer
- Rich Morrill was appointed Committee Chairperson to coordinate all of the National committees.
- After the NYS budget was passed, 35 thank you notes and "Requests to Co-sponsor Our Bills" were mailed to legislatures who had previously co-sponsored one of our bills.
- Due to COVID-19 , Lobby Day was cancelled and our 2020 Legislative Agenda went nowhere.
- Governor Cuomo announced passage of major pension reform that will save state and local governments \$80 billion over the next 30 years. This will not affect the NYC Pension Fund.
- Villa Roma where the National will hold its annual convention will be fully open on June 22.
- Three \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded during the National Convention. Two of the scholarships permanently honor Det. Tom Mullins and P.O. Phil Cardillo and the third honors a new person each year. A motion was made, seconded and approved to name the third scholarship in honor of Richard Comnesso, President, Verrazano 10-13 Club who passed away on April 29, 2020 due to COVID-19.
- A donation of \$100 was made to the Verrazano 10-13 Club in honor of Richard Comnesso.
- There is a private Facebook page called NYPD Retiree Emblem/GHI Emblem/GHI Doctor Information that allows retirees who reside outside of NY to exchange information about physicians who participate in our Emblem/GHI health plan.
- US House Bill 5717 "Gun Violence and Community Safety Act" includes a 30% tax on the purchase of firearms and a 50% tax on the purchase of ammunition that will be used to research gun violence and prevention. "Skopos Labs", a company that tracks government legislation, rates the chance of this legislation being enacted at 19%..
- WTC Attorney Michael Barash is planning to have a Zoom conference concerning current events for the 9/11 Zadroga Health & Compensation Act.
- NYC Employees Benefits Unit is currently working on IRRMA reimbursements at this time. It is suggested to hold off submitting for shortage of 2019 Medicare Part B reimbursement until August 2020.
- Prayers are needed for the following sick members, Rich Molloy, National Vice President, Harry Morse, National Advisor, Tony DeNatale, past president of the Verrazano 10-13, Frank Mahon, past president of the Jersey shore 10-13 and Rich Morrill, National Committee Chairman.

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New NYPD ID Card Renewal Form (updated 2019) and NYPD Retiree Application: https://www.nationalnycpd10-13.org/forms/NYPD_Renewal_Retiree_Application_ID_Card_2019.docx

CCW SAFE Nationwide Gun Protection Coverage: <https://www.nationalnycpd10-13.org/forms/CCW.pdf>

WTC Notice of Participation: https://www.nationalnycpd10-13.org/forms/WTCNoticeofParticipation_withcoverletter_201609.pdf

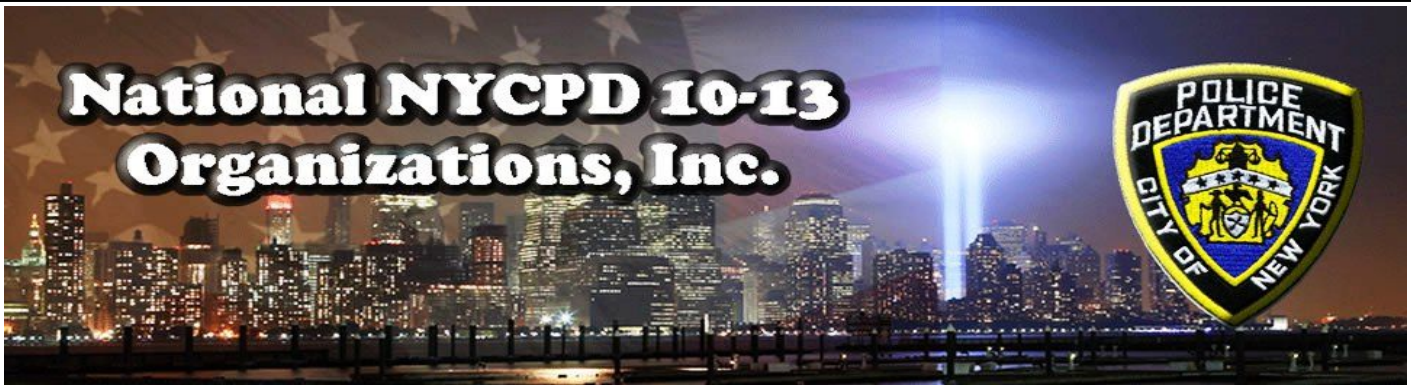
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9/11 Victims Fund: https://www.nationalnycpd10-13.org/forms/911_Victims.pdf

Villa Roma Brochure: https://www.nationalnycpd10-13.org/2020_convention/2020Conventiona_Registration.pdf

2020-2021 Scholarship: <https://www.nationalnycpd10-13.org/scholarship.html>

NATIONAL NYCPD 10-13 ORG.



NATIONAL NYCPD 10-13 ORG. NYPD ID CARD RENEWAL – May 14, 2020

For those members that reside locally, the ID Card Section (646-610-5150) is now on 2nd floor at 1PP, opposite the Operations Unit.

They will only renew a retiree ID card that has less than 3 months before expiration date or already expired

Please do not go at the end of month due to numerous active MOS retiring and it is very crowded.

Using the above number, call beforehand to make sure there is no promotion on the day you are going because it can get crowded and active will have priority.

For those out of state members, please follow the instructions when mailing in ID cards. I have received ID cards mailed to me using regular first-class mail. The issue with this is that it is not tracked and, therefore, not guaranteed that I will receive it. The Priority Mail procedure provides a tracking number so that the ID card can be accounted for throughout the entire mailing process.

If your ID card is lost or stolen, you must make a police report with your local precinct or police department for lost or stolen property and a copy of the report must accompany the ID card application. **The application will not be processed without a report.**

The NYPD card section uses the photo that is in their system since November of 2002. If your ID card was issued prior to this period, you will have to appear at the ID Card Section in person to take a new photo. You cannot send in a passport photo or a jpeg file photo to update the picture.

ONLY cards issued after November 1, 2002, can be renewed this way. In all other circumstances, members will have to personally visit 1 P.P.

For pre-merger Transit and Housing Police retirees, the NYPD Transit Bureau still processes our ID cards in Brooklyn, N.Y. Recently, they updated their system and have some issues with the photos on file. You continue to send your expiring ID cards as per the instructions and if there is an issue regarding your photo in their system, I will contact you with further instructions regarding how to send a digital photo for the card. **This procedure only applies to pre-merger Transit and Housing ID cards which works on a different system than the NYPD ID Card Section.**

Regarding HR218/LEOSA qualifications, if your ID card does not have an expiration date, it does qualify as a valid ID card under the provisions of the laws. Unless you want to get a current photo on your ID card, you are not required to do so in order to satisfy the qualification. Also remember that our of state, some police departments that do the qualifications will require a current ID card so make sure that you check your expiration dates.

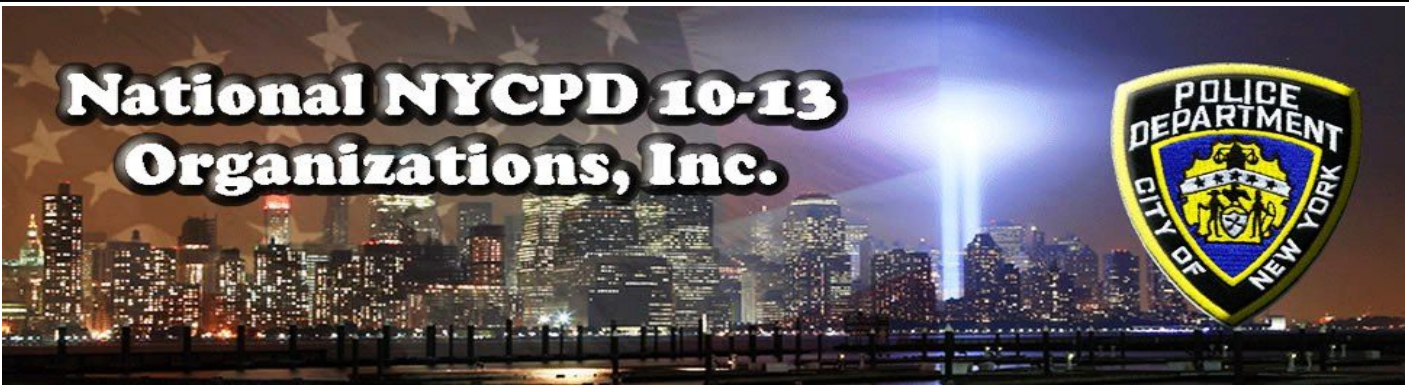
A completed PD form **MUST** accompany the card. The form is on the accompanying page of this procedure, and can be downloaded from our website; National NYCPD10-13.org

Additionally, ID card expiration date will be increased from 5 to 8 years.

If your card has no expiration date, you do not need to have a new card issued. Your card is perpetually current. Keep it.

THE NATIONAL IS AUTHORIZED TO DELIVER MEMBERS CARDS TO 1 P.P. AND RETURN SAME TO THE MEMBER.

NATIONAL NYCPD 10-13 ORG.



NATIONAL NYCPD 10-13 ORG. NYPD ID CARD RENEWAL – May 14, 2020

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To insure security in the transfer of cards to and from our members the following procedure **MUST** be adhered to:

Items **MUST** be sent to the National in a USPS Flat Rate Priority Mail envelope. You will receive a tracking number from post office. **DO NOT REQUEST SIGNATURE OF RECIPIENT.** The postage is \$7.75.

Place in the envelope: your PD ID card, the completed PD Form, and a check in the amount of \$7.75 made out to National NYCPD 10-13 Org.(to cover the cost of priority mail return of your new card).

Address package to:
Frank Martarella
272 Durant Avenue
Staten Island N.Y. 10306

You can contact me at cicheech@aol.com or call (718) 637-1684.

Please allow for up to a 30 day turnaround time.
Please, do not deviate from the above instructions.
This National service is available only to dues paid National NYCPD 10-13 chapter members.

F.A.Q.

My ID Card was issued before November 2002. Why can't I have it renewed via proxy?

Prior to November 1, 2002 cards were not digital. Consequently the photo cannot be reproduced.

My card has no expiration date. Do I need to have a new card issued?

Definitely not. If you have no expiration date your card is perpetually current. Keep it.

I am Transit/Housing Sergeant who retired before the merger. Can I proxy renew.

Yes, If you meet all the above conditions.

******* Please note: To make things easier for Frank Martarella, our Club will be collecting ID cards quarterly in January, April, July & October and mailing them to him. The club will also pay for the postage.**

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NATIONAL NYCPD 10-13 ORGANIZATIONS, INC.

CASE #: _____

FIREARMS CODE: _____

RETIREE ID CARD RENEWAL APPLICATION

LAST NAME: _____

FIRST NAME: _____ MI: _____

SEX: MALE FEMALE RACE: _____

TAX # _____ RETIREMENT DATE: _____

SOCIAL SECURITY #: _____ DATE OF BIRTH: _____

RANK: _____ SHIELD #: _____

PRESENT ADDRESS: _____

PHONE NUMBER: (____) _____

10-13 CHAPTER: _____

I, _____, HEREBY CERTIFY THAT SINCE RETIRING ON
PRINT NAME

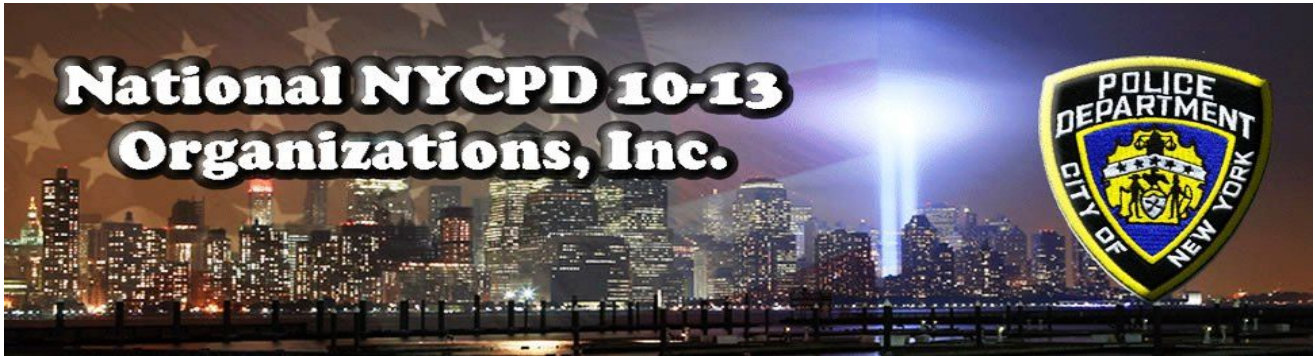
_____, I HAVE NOT BEEN CONVICTED OF A CRIME.
RETIREMENT DATE

SIGNATURE

DATE

NEW ID # ISSUED: _____ ID RECEIVED BY: _____

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NATIONAL NYCPD 10-13 ORGANIZATIONS, INC. **College Scholarship Application** **2020 - 2021**

Sponsor's Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone #: _____ E-Mail: _____

National 10-13 Chapter: _____

Applicant's Name: _____

Relationship to Sponsor: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone #: _____ E-Mail: _____

Applicant's High School: _____

College Attending: _____

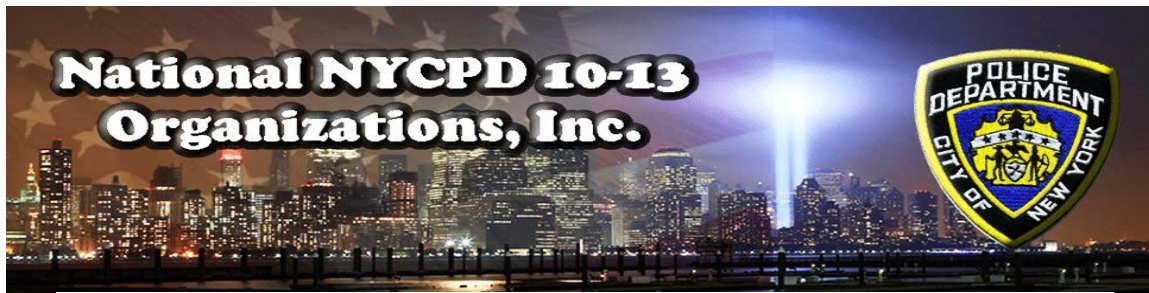
Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

**Mail completed application and College Letter of Acceptance to Committee Chairman, Richard Molloy,
52 Champ Avenue, Pearl River, New York 10965.**

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31ST ANNUAL CONVENTION
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13th - TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15th, 2020

Your Rates Include:

Fine Italian/American Cuisine, served in a private, 10-13 Dining Room-3meals daily
Complimentary 10-13 Hospitality Room Sunday-Tuesday
Hero Sandwiches and Refreshments upon arrival Sunday
Cocktail Party prior to Monday Dinner
Dinner with Red & White wines Sunday & Monday Night
Nightly Entertainment, Theater shows & dancing to DJ in Lounge
Free Shuttle to Casino Sunday night
Door Prizes, 50/50 Raffles
Golf on Premises-nominal fee, cart included
Indoor/Outdoor Heated Pools & Jacuzzi
Spa Facilities offering Massage & Pampering Treatments (fee)
Gym Area, Tennis, Volleyball, 8 Regulation Bowling Lanes (nominal fee)
Morning/Afternoon Movies Fishing & More!
See Villa Roma Information Summary for all activities.

RATES & ACCOMMODATIONS

WEEKEND PACKAGE RATES ARE PER PERSON, PER NIGHT

Double Occupancy-Standard Rooms, \$157.13, Single, \$220.95

Double Occupancy-1 Bedroom Suite, \$169.89, Single, \$240.84

*Children: under 3 yrs., NO CHARGE, 4-10, \$87.06 per child, per night

Children: 11-17 yrs., \$114.69 per night, per child.

*Children's Rates only VALID with 1 full priced adult in room.

*The above rates include 15% Resort Fee, Local NYS Tax & Tips

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RETIRED SERGEANTS ASSOCIATION



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HELP WANTED

The RSA is expanding its leadership ranks. If you are retired 1 year, 10 years, or 20 years we could use your help and expertise. The RSA is looking for VOUNTEERS interested in donating some free time to help our fellow retired sergeants. You would be asked to help open and process mail in a group environment several times a year and other tasks on behalf of your brother and sister retired sergeants. You would also be asked to assist at General Membership meetings. Our female members should not hesitate to join our leadership ranks, all members are treated with respect and courtesy. If you are interested in helping us serve our fellow retired sergeants and have a little time to devote, please contact us. Volunteers are considered for position of Trustee. Our Executive Board members come from the ranks of our Trustees. Please contact us at: RSA@RSANYPD.ORG or call 718- 605- 0272.



50 YEAR POLICE ACADEMY GRADUATION REUNION

Can you believe it has been 50 years? We are looking to see if there is any interest in a reunion of our graduating class. The Companies were: 70-6, 70-7, 70-E, 70-F, 70-G, 70-H, 70-I, 70-J, 70-K and 70-L

Our graduation date was September 28, 1970. We are looking at September 26, 2020 for the reunion. The location we are looking at is in Brooklyn.

Contact: Tony Merone – tmer1042@aol.com (732- 319-6819) | Mike Gorton – mgorton@msn.com (718-386-8017)

HEALTH INSURANCE OUTSIDE OF NEW YORK

For those non-Medicare retirees living outside the NYC area, finding GHI network doctors has been very difficult. Many of our retired sergeants now live in Florida. For them and others the options are few. The plans the city offers for out of town retired members are somewhat pricy.

Thanks to our Treasurer Maria Valdes, who brings us the information, we can suggest a way to locate GHI participating doctors in Florida and other out of town locations. There is a private Facebook page called: **NYPD RETIREE EMBLEM/GHI EMBLEM/GHI DOCTOR INFORMATION**. This social media group was created to allow an exchange of doctors participating in Emblem/GHI outside of the NYC area for NYPD retirees and their families. Posts are limited to medical/doctor information. A member interested must make a request to be accepted by the group administrator. Applicants will be vetted for acceptance. Once accepted, a retired MOS will be able to ask for recommendations of doctors in the specialty and geographical areas for which they are seeking. Other group members will post responses. Currently, most posts are related to Florida retirees. There are also other states requesting information. We hope this information will be beneficial to our members.

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Dear CEA Member:

See letter to Police Commissioner and Mayor to end COMPSTAT on subsequent pages.

The department recently set guidelines for a Captain or above to be present when a large gathering is taking place. I would advise to take extreme caution if enforcement action is going to be taken. As we all saw on Sunday in the 100 precinct the department is quick to suspend an officer based solely on video footage without an investigation being conducted.

When there is a large house/street/park gathering according to the directive a Captain or above must respond before any action is taken. The Captain or above will determine the course of action/enforcement.

Take your time on these jobs and use every department resource you need. Noncompliance in the street is now becoming a hostage/barricaded job. Use every tool this department has at your disposal. Strategic Respond Group, Emergency Services Unit, Aviation, Mounted, Taru, K-9 or any other units that may assist you. The Chief of Department can also authorize the use of department unmanned aircraft system (UAS) at a commander's request.

A recent video of an incident in the 103 Precinct shows a perpetrator verbally abusing officers, getting close to their face screaming and driving recklessly through a playground with children present and almost striking responding officers. Was this video released to the public? NO! However, the body camera footage of the 100 Precinct incident was.

"Executives should review the contents of Finest Messages 26005399 and 26157460. Both documents remind our members that warrantless entry into a premise solely for the purpose of a noise condition is prohibited. Furthermore, we may only enter a premise such as a "house party" when there is an immediate need to render aid or address a seriously dangerous condition. By abiding by these well settled principals of law, we can ensure that both the safety of the public and our members is fully protected."

Every decision you make will be Monday morning quarterbacked and scrutinized by every member of society because of the ease of social media. The department historically has given our members the benefit of the doubt but today they would rather sacrifice lambs.

City Council Reforms

The city council has pending bills which are veto proof and the mayor is expected to sign. The most troubling one is the restriction of the diaphragm. This would make it impossible to make a non-compliant arrest. We have sent a letter to the department to immediately retrain us on how to make an arrest with these new restrictive laws. Additionally, we informed them we are going to encourage our members to treat **ALL NON-COMPLIANT** perpetrators as a hostage/barricaded person.

You can now be held civilly responsible if you block your shield or shield number. As we always done in the past, we display our shields with pride and have always given our information when requested by the public.

You can now be held civilly responsible if you interfere with someone recording police activities. If the recording party is not physically interfering with a lawful police function recording is allowed.

The Attorney General now has the right to investigate death of a person caused by a police officer. Prior Executive Order only allowed the Attorney General's office to investigate death of unarmed civilians.

Chokehold bill makes it a crime to use a chokehold. The department procedures ban chokeholds already, however, in a life and death situation it may be necessary to use. If any of our members would be arrested while performing their duties, the CEA would fight vigorously for you!

Medical attention of prisoners can now allow the perpetrator to sue you. Protect yourself and your officers by asking the prisoner while the body camera is on if he/she requires EMS or wants to go to the hospital.

Below is our General Council synopsis of the recently passed laws on police reform. 50A is the big elephant in the room and we have been in discussions with the department on how they will be preceding, it is still yet unknown. Once I know their direction, I will let you know. Regarding the state laws many were regarding administrative reporting. Our department has already been tracking these incidents (i.e. firearms discharge).

Message Lou LaPietra

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June 18, 2020

MEMO TO: NYPD CAPTAINS ENDOWMENT ASSOCIATION

FROM: GENERAL COUNSEL

SUBJECT: SYNOPSIS OF POLICE REFORM BILLS JUNE 2020

The following bills were signed into law by Governor Andrew Cuomo this week. This memo contains the most salient points of the law, and how it impacts our members as well as the New York law enforcement community at large. Many of these provisions are already within the ambit of the Patrol Guide, i.e., the duty to report the discharge of a firearm, etc., but have now been codified by the State Legislature as follows:

Senate Bill S.8496: repealed section 50-a of the Civil Rights Law that provided additional protections to the personnel records of police officers, firefighters, and correction officers. This includes disciplinary records of law enforcement officers which **now subjects these records to FOIL**, just as all other records kept by public agencies, while protecting the personal contact and health information of these officers.

"LAW ENFORCEMENT DISCIPLINARY RECORDS" MEANS ANY RECORD CREATED IN FURTHERANCE OF A LAW ENFORCEMENT DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDING, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO:

- (A) THE COMPLAINTS, ALLEGATIONS, AND CHARGES AGAINST AN EMPLOYEE;
- (B) THE NAME OF THE EMPLOYEE COMPLAINED OF OR CHARGED;
- (C) THE TRANSCRIPT OF ANY DISCIPLINARY TRIAL OR HEARING, INCLUDING ANY EXHIBITS INTRODUCED AT SUCH TRIAL OR HEARING;
- (D) THE DISPOSITION OF ANY DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDING; AND
- (E) THE FINAL WRITTEN OPINION OR MEMORANDUM SUPPORTING THE DISPOSITION AND DISCIPLINE IMPOSED INCLUDING THE AGENCY'S COMPLETE FACTUAL FINDINGS AND ITS ANALYSIS OF THE CONDUCT AND APPROPRIATE DISCIPLINE OF THE COVERED EMPLOYEE.

7. "LAW ENFORCEMENT DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDING" MEANS THE COMMENCEMENT OF ANY INVESTIGATION AND ANY SUBSEQUENT HEARING OR DISCIPLINARY ACTION CONDUCTED BY A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY.

Senate Bill **S.2574B:** created an Office of Special Investigation under which the **Attorney General, which will investigate, and, if warranted, prosecute any incident of a person whose death was caused by a police officer or peace officer.**

Senate Bill **S.3253B:** **codified that a person not under arrest or in custody has the right to record police activity and to maintain custody and control of that recording,** and of any property or instruments used to record police activities:

- RECORDING CERTAIN ACTIVITIES. 1. DEFINITIONS. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, THE FOLLOWING TERMS SHALL HAVE THE FOLLOWING MEANINGS:
 - (A) "OFFICER" MEANS ANY PEACE OFFICER, POLICE OFFICER, SECURITY OFFICER, SECURITY GUARD OR SIMILAR OFFICIAL WHO IS ENGAGED IN A LAW ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY;
 - (B) "LAW ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY" MEANS ANY ACTIVITY BY AN OFFICER ACTING UNDER THE COLOR OF LAW; AND
 - (C) "RECORD" MEANS TO CAPTURE OR ATTEMPT TO CAPTURE ANY MOVING OR STILL IMAGE, SOUND, OR IMPRESSION THROUGH THE USE OF ANY RECORDING DEVICE, CAMERA, OR ANY OTHER DEVICE CAPABLE OF CAPTURING AUDIO, MOVING OR STILL IMAGES, OR BY WAY OF WRITTEN NOTES OR OBSERVATION
- 2. RIGHT TO RECORD LAW ENFORCEMENT RELATED ACTIVITIES. A PERSON NOT UNDER ARREST OR IN THE CUSTODY OF A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIAL HAS THE RIGHT TO RECORD LAW ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY AND TO MAINTAIN CUSTODY AND CONTROL OF THAT RECORDING AND OF ANY PROPERTY OR INSTRUMENTS USED BY THAT PERSON TO RECORD LAW ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES, PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT A PERSON IN CUSTODY OR UNDER ARREST DOES NOT, BY THAT STATUS ALONE, FORFEIT THE RIGHT TO HAVE ANY SUCH RECORDINGS, PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT.

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Senate Bill [S.6670B](#): This legislation, the "[Eric Garner Anti-Choke hold Act](#)," has prohibited the use of [choke holds by law enforcement](#) and establishes the crime of aggravated strangulation as [a Class-C felony](#). [This bill amends the penal law by adding a new section, 121.13-a. Aggravated Strangulation:](#)

§ 121.13-A AGGRAVATED STRANGULATION.

A PERSON IS GUILTY OF AGGRAVATED STRANGULATION WHEN, BEING A POLICE OFFICER AS DEFINED IN SUBDIVISION THIRTY-FOUR OF SECTION 1.20 OF THE CRIMINAL PROCEDURE LAW OR A PEACE OFFICER AS DEFINED IN SECTION 2.10 OF

THE CRIMINAL PROCEDURE LAW, HE OR SHE COMMITS THE CRIME OF CRIMINAL OBSTRUCTION OF BREATHING OR BLOOD CIRCULATION, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 121.11 OF THIS ARTICLE, OR USES A choke hold OR SIMILAR RESTRAINT, AS

DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH B OF SUBDIVISION ONE OF SECTION EIGHT HUNDRED THIRTY-SEVEN-T OF THE EXECUTIVE LAW, AND THEREBY CAUSES SERIOUS PHYSICAL INJURY OR DEATH TO ANOTHER PERSON.

Senate Bill [S.3595B](#): Created the [Law Enforcement Misconduct Investigative Office within the New York State Department of Law](#) to review, study, audit and make recommendations regarding operations, policies, programs and practices of local law enforcement agencies. The goal of this legislation is to enhance the effectiveness of law enforcement, increase public safety, protect civil liberties and civil rights, ensure compliance with constitutional protections and local, state and federal laws, and increase the public's confidence in law enforcement.

Senate Bill [S.1830C](#): Is the [Police Statistics and Transparency \(STAT\) Act, will require courts to compile and publish racial and other demographic data of all low-level offenses](#), including misdemeanors and violations. The bill also requires police departments to submit annual reports on arrest-related deaths to be submitted to the Department of Criminal Justice Services and to the Governor and the Legislature.

Senate Bill [S.8492](#), [establishes a private right of action for a member of a protected class when another person summons a police or peace officer on them without reason](#) to suspect a crime or an imminent threat to person or property existed.

Senate Bill [S.6601A](#): amends the Civil Rights Law by adding a [new section in relation to medical attention for persons under arrest](#):

§ 28. MEDICAL ATTENTION FOR PERSONS UNDER ARREST. WHEN A PERSON IS UNDER ARREST OR OTHERWISE IN THE CUSTODY OF A POLICE OFFICER, PEACE OFFICER OR OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT REPRESENTATIVE OR ENTITY, SUCH OFFICER, REPRESENTATIVE OR ENTITY SHALL HAVE A DUTY TO PROVIDE ATTENTION TO THE MEDICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS OF SUCH PERSON, AND OBTAIN ASSISTANCE AND TREATMENT OF SUCH NEEDS FOR SUCH PERSON, WHICH ARE REASONABLE AND PROVIDED IN GOOD FAITH UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES. ANY PERSON WHO HAS NOT

RECEIVED SUCH REASONABLE AND GOOD FAITH ATTENTION, ASSISTANCE OR TREATMENT AND WHO, AS A RESULT, SUFFERS INJURY OR SIGNIFICANT EXACERBATION OF AN INJURY OR CONDITION SHALL HAVE A CAUSE OF ACTION AGAINST SUCH OFFICER, REPRESENTATIVE, AND/OR ENTITY. IN ANY SUCH CIVIL ACTION, THE COURT, IN ADDITION TO AWARDED ACTUAL DAMAGES AND COSTS, MAY AWARD REASONABLE ATTORNEYS' FEES TO A SUCCESSFUL PLAINTIFF. THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION ARE IN ADDITION TO, BUT SHALL NOT SUPERSEDE, ANY OTHER RIGHTS OR REMEDIES AVAILABLE IN LAW OR EQUITY.

Senate Bill [S.2575B](#): [Requires state and local law enforcement officers, as well as peace officers, to report, within six hours, when they discharge their weapon](#) where a person could have been struck, whether they were on or off duty.

The foregoing is by no means an all exhaustive analysis of the new law, but rather an outline for use by the membership to aid in the understanding of what has changed and the impact it will have on their daily activities as executives in the NYPD. Any questions related to the foregoing, or any matter of law, regarding your duties and obligations in performing your functions as a Member of the Service, as always, should continue to be directed to the Office of the NYPD Deputy Commissioner of Legal Matters at (646) 610-5400.

Submitted for your information.

/s/

Louis C. La Pietra



CAPTAINS ENDOWMENT ASSOCIATION POLICE DEPARTMENT CITY OF NEW YORK

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Gentlemen:

I write as president of the NYPD Captains Endowment Association (CEA). Our Association represents members in the rank of Captain, Deputy Inspector, Inspector, Deputy Chief, and Surgeon, who work in the New York City Police Department as Commanding Officers of Precincts, Divisions, Borough-Wide, and City-Wide Units. The CEA's goal is to improve the working conditions, benefits, and lives of our members as well as helping to improve the quality of life of every New York City resident and visitor to our great City. We are in an unprecedented time in our history, as a City, and as a nation. We must earn back community support, and our commanders, who are at the forefront of this mission require your support.

END COMPSTAT IMMEDIATELY

I am requesting to meet with you, and the Police Commissioner, to discuss ending COMPSTAT.

I believe COMPSTAT to be the primary driving force that is undermining police/community relations in New York City. The fact is, notwithstanding the repeal of stop and frisk, COMPSTAT puts pressure on precinct and division commanders to go into minority neighborhoods for targeted enforcement (precision policing) by way of arrests and summonses. This inherently creates tension between black and brown communities and the police, because their subordinate officers are expected to produce activity. If they do not, our CEA members are made to explain, by way of aggressive questioning by the NYPD's higher-ups in front of dozens of fellow police executives and subordinates and often, VIP visitors, such as elected officials, etc.

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COMPSTAT has always been used as a means of embarrassing and coercing commanders into more proactive policing, which has a direct consequence to community/police relations with a disparate impact on minority communities. As a former precinct commander himself, Police Commissioner Shea is aware of this. Simply put, the NYPD **MUST** find another way.

The days of “aggressive policing,” are over. The clearest evidence of this is the disbanding of Anti-Crime units throughout the City. Anti-crime was our precinct commanders’ single most effective tool in combatting street crime. The nature of Anti-crime’s mission, (to thwart violent crime), made it so that street encounters between anti-crime officers and persons suspected of committing crimes were inevitable. Now that this once effective tool has been taken away, our precinct commanders should not be “called on the carpet” at COMPSTAT to address the inevitable spikes in crime, some of which are already taking place.

The “seismic change” in how we, the NYPD, police the citizens of our great City, must permanently eliminate the COMPSTAT culture of humiliating precinct commanders and expecting additional precinct activity. When members of the NYPD are pressured from the top, to show “productivity” they become involved in street encounters that they otherwise may not have occurred, thereby driving a wedge between police and the communities we serve. As you and Police Commissioner Shea have stated in recent days, the time has come for change. That change, is to **END COMPSTAT** as we know it.

WHAT DOES THE CITY EXPECT FROM US IN THIS NEW ENVIRONMENT?

Does the City no longer want us to enforce “Quality of Life” crimes? Are we no longer enforcing “low level crimes?” If so, what are our commanders supposed to tell their subordinates as crime rates continue to trend upward? Are our members to instruct officers to ignore these issues? What is our mandate now?

POLICY CHANGES MUST BE IMMEDIATELY REDUCED TO WRITING

In this new era of policing, how do we expect the people carrying out the mission, (specifically, the CEA members and their subordinates) to understand their full mission, without written revisions to NYPD policy? While public safety will always be our primary goal, what does the NYPD expect in this “new environment?”

We demand that these policy changes be immediately reduced to writing, by way, for example of Patrol Guide revisions, interim orders, etc. Our members cannot be made to guess as to the “how, what and why” of policing our great City right now. This lack of instruction and clarity is dangerous, both for the public and for our officers.

In closing, I am requesting a meeting as soon as possible. My members need direction during these unprecedented times. We cannot be left to run the NYPD the way we “used to” because it has been made clear to us that the City and State elected officials expect us to change. However, for us to do that, we need to understand the mission, as mandated by your administration. For the good of the police and community end **COMPSTAT NOW**.

It is time that we all get on the same page.

I look forward to your reply.

Sincerely,


Chris Monahan

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The World Trade Center Health Program Is Still Accepting Appointments & Registration

The Mt. Sinai Health Care System is still open and actively assisting members with appointments and registration for the **World Trade Center Health Program** during this COVID-19 pandemic.

If you have any questions or need assistance with your 9/11 health issues, please feel free to call, text, or email Police Officer Steven Wallace, a retired NYPD PBA Delegate, a 9/11 first responder, and the WTC Health Program Outreach and Education Coordinator. He will be able to assist you in filling out your paperwork.

P.O. Wallace can be reached at **646-584-7797**.

Or email him at steven.wallace@mssm.edu

Visit their Facebook page at --

<https://www.facebook.com/WTCHealthProgram/posts/515608802445616>

Click on Learn More to connect to the CDC WTC information pages.

[Learn More](#)

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Due to the Corona Virus the staff of the SOC Health and Welfare are working remotely. All phone calls to the SOC are being forwarded to a single dedicated cell phone. Therefore, we ask that you only call the SOC with matters that need immediate attention. The preferable and best way for our members to contact the SOC staff is via e-mail. Please e-mail the following SOC staff directly based on the topic of your inquiry:

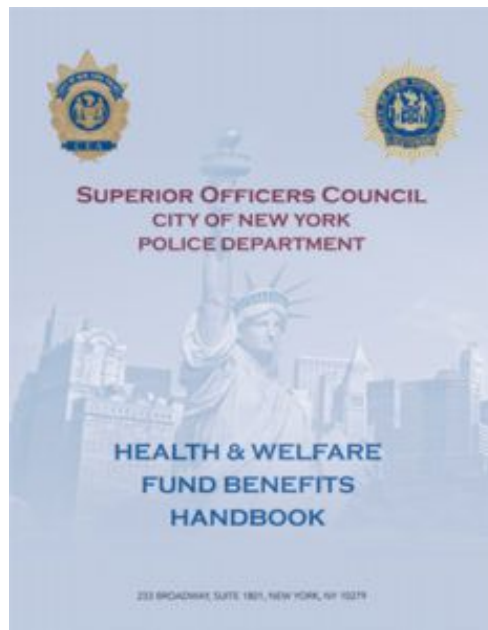
Prescription Matters: Jennara Cobb E-Mail - JCobb@nypd-lba.org or MaryAnn Pelligruti E-Mail - MaryAnn@NYPDSOC.com

Optical and Dental Matters: Elaine Pieszchata E-Mail - Elaine@NYPDSOC.com

Annuity Matters: Mayra Restrepo E-Mail - Mayra@NYPDSOC.com

The staff of the SOC Health and Welfare are available to assist our members. Please e-mail the respective member directly with your questions or issues and they will get back to you.

Members with urgent matters that need immediate attention may still call the SOC at 212-964-7500 (Option# 1). Thank you for your cooperation during these uniquely difficult times. Stay safe, stay healthy, wash your hands often and practice social distancing.



The Trustees of the Superior Officers Council Health and Welfare Fund are pleased to present you with this updated benefit handbook. Over the last few years, substantial changes have taken place to our Health and Welfare Fund. We hope this handbook will assist you and your family navigate through the benefits available to you. We urge you to read this handbook carefully so you will become familiar with not only your benefits, but also your rights and obligations related to the Fund.

Read More: <http://nypdcea.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/02/2011-soc-benefit-book.pdf>

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VISIT THE DAVIS VISION WEBSITE >>

Eye care Benefits

Effective September 2007, all active members will be able to contact Davis Vision directly to determine eligibility for glasses and make appointments. It will no longer be necessary for members to call the Superior Officers Council.

Members can contact Davis Vision direct by phone at **(877) 92DAVIS ((877) 923-2847)**. Enter Client Control Number **2942** for appointments, eligibility, benefit and provider information. Members can also go directly to their website and use **Client Control Number 2942**. <https://www.davisvision.com/default.aspx>

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RETIREED MEMBER OPTICAL BENEFIT

The current optical benefit for retirees offers **both** a voucher system and an enhanced option with Davis Vision (details regarding the Davis Vision coverage are provided below). Optical exams and glasses are provided through a network of various vendors.

BENEFIT OVERVIEW

Your optical voucher may be used at any of the participating providers listed. Co-payments and available products vary with participating providers.

ELIGIBILITY

Retired members and spouses are entitled to an optical benefit every two years by calendar year (benefit is available each change of the second year; a full two years is **not** required to pass between benefit distributions) and **eligible dependents are entitled to an annual optical benefit** by calendar year.

HOW TO CLAIM BENEFIT

To claim the optical benefit, call the SOC Health and Welfare Fund Office at 212.964.7500 to request an optical voucher. A separate voucher is issued for each family member for whom a voucher is requested. The voucher(s) will be mailed to the member along with a listing of participating providers.

If there are no participating providers in your area you may have services provided by an optometrist of your choice and submit the optical voucher along with the paid itemized bill for reimbursement. Reimbursement for the retiree optical benefit is a combined benefit for an examination and glasses. The total cash value of the optical voucher is \$40.

Vouchers are valid for six (6) weeks. If a voucher **expires unused**, the member may mail back the original and indicate that he/she wishes the voucher to be reissued. If the **voucher is lost**, a request for a new voucher must be received **in writing** either by mail or by fax: 212-406-3105.

NEW "DAVIS VISION" OPTICAL COVERAGE FOR RETIREES

The Superior Officers Council Retiree Health Benefits Fund is pleased to announce an enhancement to our vision care benefits effective January 1, 2011. In an effort to provide our retirees with the greatest possible value while significantly enhancing our vision care benefit, the trustees have elected to add Davis Vision as one of our vision care providers.

Vision benefits provided by Davis Vision will be provided as an in-network only benefit whereby an eye examination, frames/lenses or contacts lenses can be obtained at any of the available participating providers. If you choose to use Davis Vision for your optical benefit, you will not be required to obtain a vision voucher from the SOC Benefits office and can access your benefit directly from your provider of choice. You simply present the enclosed ID card and your electronic eligibility will appear on your provider's screen. It's that simple.

As part of the SOC Retiree Health Benefit Fund's commitment toward protecting confidentiality of your information, Davis Vision will no longer be using your social security number for identification. Instead they will be utilizing your Tax ID number for identification to access their optical benefit for you and your dependents. So, when scheduling appointments with a Davis Vision provider, please use your Tax ID number for enrollment verification to obtain vision care benefits.

Described below is a summary of Davis Vision's vendor benefits effective January 1, 2011 and enclosed are descriptive brochures as well as provider listings.

DAVIS VISION

The Davis Vision program being introduced to retirees effective January 1st closely mirrors the current active member program (basic copayments are applicable), and will feature an in-network benefit that offers the opportunity to obtain services for an eye examination with dilation, as professionally indicated, as well as obtain eyeglasses or contact lenses at fixed co-payments.

You now have the opportunity to select any frame from Davis Vision's exclusive "Collection". Independent providers have the exclusive "Collection" on display with over 200 frames to choose from in multiple sizes and colors. The "Collection" features three levels of frames: Fashion, Designer and Premier, with retail values of up to \$225. Approximately eight out of ten members take advantage of the tremendous savings by selecting a Davis Vision "Collection" frame.

In addition, spectacle lenses are offered in glass or plastic, and in any range of prescription (single vision, bifocal, and trifocal) at a basic co-payment. All of the most popular lens options (Progressive Lenses, Scratch Protection, Anti-Reflective Coating, High-Index Ultra- Thin Lenses and many others) that typically result in large out-of-pocket expenses have been included in the program at fixed significantly discounted prices. You can find a provider who carries the exclusive collection by visiting www.davisvision.com or by telephoning 1-888-234-5248.

Lastly, the SOC's new retiree vision benefit with Davis Vision was enhanced in comparison to the current \$40 eye examination/ eye glass benefit, effective January 1st. The comprehensive nature of the new vision benefit, as well as provider locations in all 50 states, no longer requires reimbursement under the Davis Vision Plan. As always, you may contact the SOC Health Benefits Office if you have any questions at 212-964-7500. We are proud to offer you this significant enhancement and provide our retirees with the benefits they deserve.

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If you go 63 continuous days or longer without creditable prescription drug coverage, your monthly premium may go up by at least 1% of the Medicare base beneficiary premium per month for every month that you did not have that coverage. For example, if you go nineteen months without creditable coverage, your premium may consistently be at least 19% higher than the Medicare base beneficiary premium. You may have to pay this higher premium (a penalty) as long as you have Medicare prescription drug coverage. In addition, you may have to wait until the following November to join.

For More Information About This Notice Or Your Current Prescription Drug Coverage....

Contact our office at (212) 964-7500. **NOTE:** You'll get this notice each year. You will also get it before the next period you can join a Medicare drug plan, and if the coverage through the *Superior Officers Council Retiree Health and Welfare Fund* changes. You may also request a copy of this notice at anytime.

For More Information About Your Options Under Medicare Prescription Drug Coverage...

More detailed information about Medicare plans that offer prescription drug coverage is in the "Medicare & You" handbook. You'll get a copy of the handbook in the mail every year from Medicare. You may also be contacted directly by Medicare drug plans.

For more information about Medicare prescription drug coverage: Visit www.medicare.gov

- Call your State Health Insurance Assistance Program (inside back cover of your copy of the "Medicare & You" handbook) for personalized help.
- Call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227). TTY users (1-877-486-2048).

If you have limited income and resources, extra help paying for Medicare prescription drug coverage is available. For information, visit Social Security on the web at www.socialsecurity.gov, or call them at 1-800-772-1213 (TTY1-800-325-0778).

Remember: Keep this Creditable Coverage notice. If you decide to join one of the Medicare drug plans, you may be required to provide a copy of this notice when you join to show whether or not you have maintained creditable coverage and, therefore, whether or not you are required to pay a higher premium (a penalty).

SOC DEATH BENEFIT

In Dec. 2009, the Trustees of the Superior Officers Council (SOC) discontinued the \$5,000 Death Benefit for all new retirees effective January 1, 2010. The SOC Health and Welfare Fund now provides the Surviving Spouse/Dependent(s) SOC Health and Welfare Fund Benefit (COBRA) to retirees. This benefit is provided to the deceased retired member's qualified dependents (defined below) and includes prescription (prescription coverage is not offered to Surviving Spouse/Dependent(s) of members who were enrolled in HIP), optical and dental coverage. This coverage does not pertain to Major Medical Coverage, i.e. GHI, HIP, etc. The coverage is provided for three years at no cost to the surviving spouse/dependent(s); the surviving spouse will need to annually purchase the "Optional Prescription Drug Rider" for dependent children, if applicable. At the conclusion of the three years no-cost coverage, you should contact the SOC Health and Welfare Fund if you wish to continue benefits indefinitely for a premium. If you retired between January 1, 1971 and Dec. 31, 2009, you were offered the choice to convert the \$5,000 Death Benefit during a One-Time Enrollment Period to a new benefit, the Surviving Spouse/Dependent(s) SOC Health and Welfare Fund Benefit. If you opted to retain the \$5,000 SOC Death Benefit, your named beneficiary(s) is entitled to this amount.

SURVIVOR'S HEALTH BENEFITS

The survivor's and eligible dependent's health benefits, both major medical and benefits provided by the Superior Officers Council, cease with the passing of the member. However, the survivor (spouse/domestic partner) may apply for "COBRA for Life" Coverage through the City of New York. If you are the spouse/ domestic partner of a member who has passed away, you have the right to continue coverage under any of the available NYC health benefits plans. Furthermore, effective November 13, 2001, New York State law provides that surviving spouses of retired uniformed members of the New York City Police and Fire departments can continue their health benefits coverage for life. Such coverage will be at a premium of 102% of the group rate and must be elected within one year of the date of the death of the member. Contact the NYC Retiree Health Benefits Section, in writing, to obtain an application; NYC Retiree Health Benefits Section, Attn: COBRA for Life, 40 Rector Street, 3rd Floor, New York, NY 10006. You must notify the NYC Retiree Health Benefits Section if you are planning to move in the near future or if you are in fact moving so that they send the application to your proper address. **NOTE:** The surviving spouse/domestic partner of retirees who had received an Accident Disability Pension should be cognizant of the fact that if the cause of the retiree's death is directly attributable to the condition for which they received the Accident Disability (i.e. retired on the Heart Bill and died from a heart attack), their surviving spouse/domestic partner may be eligible to continue receiving the deceased member's Major Medical and SOC benefits at no cost.

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CCW Safe is a legal service membership plan that was designed for CCW permit/license holders, active and retired military and law enforcement officers, and gun owners. As explained by retired Oklahoma City PD Lieutenant Stan Campbell (Co-founder and COO of CCW Safe), CCW Safe is not an insurance plan, they are a legal defense service plan. CCW Safe takes on the burden of the expenses associated with defending a self-defense/use of force critical incident. These expenses can include attorneys' fees, investigators, experts, and other associated costs, such as depositions, document fees, trial exhibits, and more. CCW Safe does not have the conflicts of an insurance product because the company is designed to indemnify the cost of the incident and not the outcome of a trial. It is not a reimbursement package and no money is required to be paid back to the company regardless of the outcome. You are covered in all states that honor your permit, and in all 50 states (exceptions apply in New Jersey) where you can legally possess firearms. CCW Safe members will not have any out of pocket expenses associated with defending a self defense incident, nor will they be limited by a policy cap on defense costs. CCW Safe created three specific plans for LBA members. Those plans are:

- NYLBA PROTECTOR BASIC = \$134 ANNUALLY
- NYLBA PROTECTOR PLUS = \$359 ANNUALLY
- ULTIMATE PLAN = \$499 ANNUALLY

The three plans offer different levels of coverage for the CCW Safe member. Please visit the following link to view the details of each plan and/or to enroll in the plan if you wish to:

The NYLBA Protector Plus Plan offers the following coverages:

- 24-hour emergency hotline patched through to attorney
- Critical Response Team on site for all deadly force
- Appeals/Mistrials/Retrials
- \$500,000 bail coverage
- Vetting of hired Attorneys by National Trial Counsel
- No caps on Attorney Retainer/fees
- No caps on Investigators costs/fees
- No caps on Expert Witnesses expenses
- All trial fees and cost mentioned above covered up front
- Firearm Replacement during trial
- Spouse and children under 18 covered for home invasions only
- Up to \$250 a day work loss while in criminal or civil trial
- Up to 10 sessions (\$150/session) for a licensed counselor
- \$3k crime scene clean-up (home)
- Criminal Record expungements
- Dedicated \$1MM Civil Liability coverage.

RESTRICTIONS - THE PLANS WILL NOT COVER THE FOLLOWING:

- Force used against other family members
- Force used against GUESTS who are in your house with permission or invite
- Any force that is not in self-defense
- DOES NOT cover ON-DUTY or Security related assignments/jobs
- Accidental Shootings
- Children 18 or older
- Use of force *following intentional criminal act (Robbery, Burglary, etc.)*

You can visit the following link to get additional answers to Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's): <https://ccwsafe.com/faq>.

Phone (405) 724-8501
Email support@ccwsafe.com

CCW Website Page for LBA <https://ccwsafe.com/page/nylba>

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Dear Lieutenant:

On Thursday June 18th, the New York City Council voted to pass (veto proof - only 3 Council members voted against the Bill) - Int 0536-2018 - Chokeholds and Other Such Restraints (Click here for a copy of the Bill, [Legislation Details.](#)) The Mayor has already agreed to sign the Bill into legislation; "Unlawful methods of restraint: No person shall restrain an individual in a manner that restricts the flow of air or blood by compressing the windpipe or the carotid arteries on each side of the neck, or sitting, kneeling, or standing on the chest or back in a manner that compresses the diaphragm, in the course of effecting or attempting to effect an arrest."

Click here to see how each City Council member voted on this Bill:
[City Council vote on chokehold](#)

The Lieutenants Benevolent Association, along with the other city law enforcement unions, is demanding that the Department and the City provide direction and training to our members as to how to properly and safely detain/restrain violently resisting criminals or emotionally disturbed persons while satisfying the dictates of this new legislation.

Until we receive this direction and training from the Department and the City our members must employ the utmost discretion as to whether to engage in any potential situation where physical detention/restraint is likely to be necessary. As always it is paramount to ensure your safety, your fellow officers' safety and the safety of the public. However, in any situation where an individual is resisting or refusing arrest, or where you encounter a violent perpetrator or emotionally disturbed person, you must consider the potential ramifications of your actions. This new law has no intent requirement. Even an inadvertent violation of its provisions can subject our members to criminal, civil and administrative liability.

This legislation is so detached from reality and was intentionally drafted and passed by the City Council to hamper the ability of police officers to protect themselves, or others, from serious physical harm or even in a life and death struggle.

We implore our members to read the legislation, print out copies, and distribute it to all members in their commands, and to ensure the Precinct Training Sergeant receives a copy of the legislation. The limitations that this legislation places on police officers will jeopardize the safety of our officers and the communities we serve.

We will update our members on a weekly basis as to what cooperation and progress we receive from the Department and the city toward our request.

I cannot stress enough the importance of understanding the paralyzing impact the new legislation will have on the members of the New York City Police Department, while emboldening and empowering criminals, and the blatant abdication of the City Council and the Mayor towards the safety and wellbeing of the Police Officers and the citizens of New York City.

Fraternally,

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June 24, 2020

Dear Lieutenant:

Yesterday, Tuesday, June 23rd, the LBA and DEA delivered a letter, written by our general counsel attorneys from Karasyk and Moschella, to the Department demanding guidance and retraining regarding the reckless and irresponsible dictates/constraints contained in New City Council Bill: Int 0536-2018 - Chokeholds and Other Such Restraints:

<https://files.constantcontact.com/714da196201/8701c647-0295-4549-87b3-fca81fd32f94.pdf>

We cannot stress enough the enormous impact this bill potentially has on our members personal safety, career preservation and/or potential incarceration. You must fully understand the ramifications include in this Bill before you engage in any arrest situation. We believe that it is utterly impossible to effect an arrest of a violently resisting criminal or emotionally disturbed person without unintentionally violating this law. As always it is paramount to ensure your safety, your fellow officers' safety and the safety of the public. We will inform you on a weekly basis on the progress, or lack thereof, regarding any direction, instruction or recommended training we receive from the Department.

PDF of Jim Moschella's letter to Dept. <https://files.constantcontact.com/714da196201/e113bb85-fc28-4fda-ae52-d22f76e17540.pdf>

Just for your information there were only three members of the City Council **who voted "NO"** on this Bill. They are:

Joseph Borelli - Republican - Staten Island

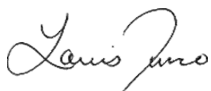
Robert Holden - Democrat - Queens

Steven Matteo - Republican - Staten Island

All the other members of the New York City Council proactively and consciously sought passage of a Bill that will unquestionably endanger the safety and lives of New York City Police Officers and the residents and visitors of New York City.

Just remember which City politicians support us and actually care more for the safety of police officers than for the safety of criminals.

Faternally



Lou Turco

President



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Do You Have Our Backs?

BY ED MULLINS

President, Sergeants Benevolent Association

A recent *Post* editorial noted that New Yorkers have been applauding police and other essential workers throughout the COVID-19 lockdown. But, the writer concluded, "The events taking place in the city over the last few nights signal that the sacrifices made by the NYPD in the COVID-19 war have...been suddenly forgotten." I have more respect for New Yorkers. I see millions applauding, but only a few rioting and looting. The ones who have forgotten the valor of our police officers are the Governor, the Mayor, and their fellow travelers, just as they have abandoned our small businesses, our working families, and the millions of other residents who make New York the greatest city on earth.

Let me be clear: Peaceful protest is a fundamental right necessary for democracy. But assaulting police, damaging property, and looting cannot be tolerated in a democracy. Too many politicians, however, won't admit the difference. By siding with those using the cover of peaceful protests to terrorize the city, they are silencing constructive voices. They have allowed those intent on violence to co-opt the First Amendment. They also have also ignored the constitutional right of police officers to the same due process as other citizens, the right to be heard in a court of law and not convicted in the press on the basis of incomplete videos.

All is not lost, however. I have faith that our responsible representatives will reject this demagoguery. So, as President of the Sergeants Benevolent Association, I'm asking a simple question of all our elected officials: **Do you have our backs?** Will you support police officers and due process of law, or will you allow a few leftist politicians to vilify us and ignore the public's safety just to placate a tiny rabble bent on violence and theft? I ask because—as the pandemic and rampant violence place police officers at unprecedented risk—we need to know whether we can expect an end to anti-police hysteria and to legislation that threatens the public safety in ways I have never seen in 38 years as a police officer.

Things were not always this way. Since the NYPD was organized 170 years ago, New York's elected representatives have always

demonstrated an unwavering commitment to act responsibly toward the officers who put themselves at risk for the public's safety. But now, for the first time, politicians with pro-crime agendas have abandoned that sacred covenant. Instead, they treat us as enemies undeserving of respect or justice. In the comfort of their offices, they criticize us for split-second decisions made when lives are on the line. Knowing nothing about the science and art of policing, they accuse us of brutality for obeying our superiors and following our training. They care nothing about endangering us and our families by allowing open access to our personnel files. This is shocking, because even minimal justice requires those in power to make the effort to understand who we are and why we are proud to work under the most stressful and dangerous conditions imaginable.

Rest assured that my fellow officers will survive the current lawlessness through strength of character and dedication to duty. But our city will prosper only if our elected representatives pursue the common good. They must, for example, reverse the reckless "reform" of bail and criminal justice discovery laws that tie judges' and prosecutors' hands and make a mockery of law enforcement. So I ask our representatives: Will you pursue *justice for all* and reject a turnstile justice system that perpetuates public disorder? Will you reject the anti-police agenda that undermines the need of millions of New Yorkers for safe streets and thriving neighborhoods?

We will continue to risk our lives on the frontlines and helping those infected with COVID and those harmed by random violence. We will, as always, protect children at play, parents as they work and shop, and grandparents as they walk hand-in-hand. We will tolerate the abuse of opportunists and manage the incredible stress on our families. But we deserve to know whether we will be abandoned for political expediency. We deserve an answer to this blunt question from our elected representatives: **Do you have our backs?** In other words, are you with the millions of New Yorkers who applaud us each evening, or are you with the thugs who have scared our good citizens into a new kind of quarantine?



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THE WORLD TRADE CENTER HEALTH PROGRAM IS STILL ACCEPTING APPOINTMENTS & REGISTRATION

The Mt. Sinai Health Care System is still open and actively assisting members with appointments and registration for the **World Trade Center Health Program** during this COVID-19 pandemic.

If you have any questions or need assistance with your 9/11 health issues, please feel free to call, text or email Police Officer Steven Wallace, a retired NYPD Delegate, a 9/11 first responder, and the WTC Health Program Outreach and Education Coordinator. He will be able to assist you in filling out your paperwork.

P.O. Wallace can be reached at (646) 584-7797

Or email him at steven.wallace@mssm.edu

Visit their Facebook page at --

<https://www.facebook.com/WTCHealthProgram/posts/515608802445616>

Click on Learn More to connect to the CDC WTC information pages.

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CAN YOU CARRY?

VENUE / ARENA	ACTIVE NYPD	RETIRED NYPD	NEAREST PRECINCT
Radio City Music Hall	YES	NO	MTS PCT - 357 W. 39th St.
Madison Square Garden	YES	NO	MTS PCT - 357 W. 39th St.
Barclay Center	YES - Dean St. Gate	NO	78 PCT - 65 6th Ave.
Yankee Stadium	YES - Gate 4	YES - Gate 4 - HR218 Req.	Transit 11 - E. 161 St. & River Ave.
Citi Field	YES - Gil Hodges Gate	YES - Gil Hodges Gate	109 PCT - 37-05 Union St.
Kings Theater	NO	NO	67 PCT - 2820 Snyder Ave.
Prudential Center	YES	YES - HR218 Required	Newark PD
Nassau Coliseum	YES - Gate 5	YES - Gate 5	NCPD
USS Intrepid Museum	YES	YES	MTN PCT - 306 W. 54th St.
NY Aquarium Coney Island	YES	YES	60 PCT - 2951 W. 8th St.
Museum of Natural History	YES	YES	20 PCT - 120 W. 82nd St.
Ford Amphitheater Coney Island	NO	NO	60 PCT - 2951 W. 8th St.
Bronx, Central Park, Queens, Prospect Zoos	YES	YES	52 PCT, CPP, 109 PCT & 78 PCT
Javitt's Center	YES	YES	MTS PCT - 357 W. 39th St.
Empire State Building	YES	YES	MTS PCT - 357 W. 39th St.
Rockefeller Center	YES	YES	MTN PCT
9/11 Memorial Pool 9/11 Museum	YES NO	YES NO	1 PCT
Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island	YES	YES	1 PCT, Park Police
Paramount Theater Huntington, LI	NO	NO	SCPD
NYCB Westbury	NO	NO	NCPD
Top of the Rock @ Rockefeller Center	YES	NO	MTN PCT

We thank RSA Marshal Bob Cotumaccio for researching and verifying the above information. Note: the above information is always subject to change.

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SBA Retiree Forms



Prescription Mail Order Form: <http://sbanyc.net/documents/benefits/forms/prescriptionMailOrderForm.pdf>



Dental Retiree Plan B Claim Form: <http://sbanyc.net/documents/benefits/forms/dentalRetireePlanBClaimForm.pdf>



Prescription Reimbursement Form: <http://sbanyc.net/documents/benefits/forms/prescriptionReimbursementForm.pdf>



Dependent Student Certification Form: <http://sbanyc.net/documents/benefits/forms/dependentStudentCertificationForm.pdf>



Annuity Fund Beneficiary Designation Form: <http://sbanyc.net/documents/benefits/annuity/annuityFundBeneficiaryDesignationForm.pdf>



Life SBA Mortuary Benefit Beneficiary Designation Form: <http://sbanyc.net/documents/benefits/forms/beneficiaryDesignationForm.pdf>



Change Of Address Form: <http://sbanyc.net/documents/benefits/forms/changeOfAddressForm.pdf>



Other Health Forms



Statement of Dependency Form: <http://sbanyc.net/documents/benefits/forms/statementOfDependency.pdf>



Davis Vision Direct Reimbursement Claim Form: <http://sbanyc.net/documents/benefits/forms/davisVisionDirectReimbursementClaimForm.pdf>



Hearing Aid Reimbursement Claim Form: <http://sbanyc.net/documents/benefits/forms/hearingAidReimbursementClaimForm.pdf>



Dental Retiree Plan A Claim Form: <http://sbanyc.net/documents/benefits/forms/dentalRetireePlanAClaimForm.pdf>



SBA Medicare Informational Datasheet: <http://sbanyc.net/documents/benefits/health&Welfare/prescriptions/sbaMedicareInformationalDatasheet.pdf>

NOTE: If the Benefit form you are seeking is not listed above, please contact the SBA Health & Welfare office at (212) 431-6555.
Disregard until further notice.

All inquiries to the SBA Union office and the Health & Welfare office should be directed to FrontDesk@sbanyc.org or (212) 226-2180 during the regular business hours of 8:00 am – 6:00 pm Monday – Friday.

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Please be advised that the Detectives' Endowment Association, Inc. is available for you now and throughout the remainder of the COVID-19 pandemic emergency restrictions.

Although our staff is not in the office, they are working remotely from home and our phone lines will be open from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. weekdays.

You can reach the Union by calling (212) 587-1000 or DEA Health Benefits at (212) 587-9120.

Alternatively, you can email any questions or concerns to info@nycdetectives.org or Health Benefits at deabenefits@nycdetectives.org.

Our staff will get back to you as soon as possible.

For active Detectives, in case of an emergency and the need to reach a specific DEA Board Officer arises, you can contact our pager service by calling 1 (800) 88-DEA-88.

We will also continue to keep members apprised of the latest Union news and information on the DEA Website

[Message from DEA Disability Attorneys Regarding COVID-19 and WTC-Related Disability and Death Benefits](#)

Many of our members, both active and retired, are at heightened risk of suffering severe complications or death from COVID-19 due to underlying medical conditions related to their World Trade Center exposure, *including respiratory disorders and compromised immune systems from cancer.*

Consequently, we believe that Retired Members may be eligible for reclassification of their pensions in the event they suffer from permanently disabling effects of the virus. We also believe that the surviving spouses, children, and parents of those who die of COVID-19 may be eligible for Line-of-Duty Death benefits under the World Trade Center bill.

In addition to showing disability or death due to COVID-19, we would likely need to establish the presence of the underlying WTC condition (with medical records or certification by the WTC Health Program), as well as fulfill other statutory requirements (a Notice of Participation must be filed with the NYC Police Pension Fund, and we must be able to verify the member's participation in WTC rescue, recovery and clean-up operations).

We are hopeful that the NYS Legislature will pass a new presumptive bill qualifying active members to benefits due to COVID-19. However, the World Trade Center bill may protect those members, both active and retirees, that were active in 2001. Please keep yourselves, your families, and your coworkers safe. If you have any questions regarding the disability process or eligibility for World Trade Center benefits, please reach out to our disability attorneys at (212) 766-5800, or see their website, www.nycdisabilitylaw.com, which is regularly updated.

The 2020 Jack Healy Scholarship Awards

The DEA proudly announces its year 2020 College Scholarships for the sons and daughters of active and retired NYPD Detectives in good standing. The DEA's Scholarships are given in the name of the union's former Vice President, the late Jack Healy. The DEA will award at least ten (10) scholarships of \$5,000 each. Checks will be sent directly to the schools to be credited to each winning student's account.

Applications must be at the DEA no later than **Friday, September 25, 2020**. Winners will be selected in a random drawing conducted at a DEA fall 2020 venue (to be determined).

Click on "Learn More" to download the scholarship application form. You can type directly on the online form, print it out, and then mail it back to the DEA per the instructions on the form. If you have more than one eligible child, separate applications must be submitted.

[Learn More](#)

<https://nycdetectives.us17.list-manage.com/track/click?u=1f70b0b5e7a8a3811d40cdba7&id=00b853c5a4&e=f6a4dac7d5>

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IMPORTANT MESSAGE

Dear Detective:

First of all, thank you for the outstanding job you have all been doing these past several weeks in the wake of the protests and civil unrest following the death of George Floyd in Minneapolis, Minnesota. You have exhibited the utmost professionalism and incredible restraint under the most difficult circumstances, contrary to the false narrative put forth by those who wish us harm.

As you know, over our objections, our elected officials both here in the City and in Albany, bowing to political pressure, have recently passed numerous law enforcement-related bills which have now made our job even more dangerous and challenging. These laws include, but are not limited to:

*the passage of **NYC Administrative Code section 10-181** which criminalizes an officer's restraint of an individual "in a manner that restricts the flow of air or blood by compressing the windpipe or the carotid arteries . . . or sitting, kneeling or standing on the chest or back in a manner that compresses the diaphragm in the course of effecting or attempting to effect an arrest;"

* the repeal of **Civil Rights Law 50-a** and amendment of **FOIL** to allow for disclosure of police disciplinary records;

* adding **Penal Law section 121.13-a – Aggravated Strangulation** (neck restraints);

* adding **Civil Rights Law section 28** – creating civil liability on an officer for failing to provide medical and mental health treatment to individuals in custody; and

*adding **Administrative Code section 14-185** creating civil liability on an officer for "refusal to make a shield number or rank designation visible."

Take the time to read these new laws. I am sure you will agree that there are numerous flaws and vague and ambiguous terms throughout the laws which pose significant and unacceptable risks to our members. Perhaps the most dangerous is the City Council's criminalization of certain uses of force, without any explanation as to how in the real world of policing, a police officer lawfully takes an individual who is violent or resisting into custody. We have demanded that the Department immediately provide guidance and training to teach members how to comply with these provisions. We met yesterday with the Department to again ask for this training and hand delivered a written demand for such training. We are awaiting their response. Please find a copy of such demand **HERE**:

<https://www.nycdetectives.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/lttopc.useofforce-06242020143445.pdf>

In the interim, consistent with your safety, your fellow officers' safety, and the safety of the law-abiding public, force should only be used in the most dire of circumstances. Otherwise, you expose yourself to criminal, civil and administrative liability. This is the clear message our elected officials have sent: they do not want criminals arrested; they do not want criminals in jail; they do not want the police to use any physical force on even the most dangerous of individuals; they want us to police in a purely reactive manner. We must be guided accordingly.

The DEA will always be here to support and protect our members' rights. We will continue to press the Department to provide the necessary training. Until such guidance and training is received, however, please protect yourselves and stay safe always.

In unity there is strength.

Fraternally,

Paul DiGiacomo, President and the Board of Officers

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Important Health and Wellness Information

As Detectives, you spend your days helping those in need. Now you are on the front lines of the Coronavirus pandemic continuing to fight crime, caring for New Yorkers – all the while having great concern for the health of your loved ones and yourself.

In addition to the pressures of work, we also sometimes feel overwhelmed at home. No matter the problem, the Detectives' Endowment Association wants every member to know you are NEVER alone. There are many resources available to every member 24 hours per day. The first step is to reach out for help.

The DEA is ALWAYS here for members. Please never hesitate to call the main office, contact a Delegate, or any Executive Board Officer for resources – or to talk. **In unity there is strength.**

Non-NYPD Affiliated Resources:

- Dr. Stephen Wakschal **718-477-0228**
National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: <https://suicidepreventionlifeline.org/> **(800) 273-8255** The lifeline provides 24/7 support for people in distress, prevention, and crisis resources for anyone in crisis.
- Crisis Text Line: <https://www.crisistextline.org/> Law Enforcement officers **text BLUE to 741741** Non-law enforcement **text TALK to 741741** Crisis Text Line is independent of the NYPD offering crisis counseling services via text messaging. Their volunteers have exchanged more than 100 million messages to support people in crisis.
- American Foundation for Suicide Prevention: <https://afsp.org/> Know the suicide risk factors and warning signs, as well as other important information by visiting their site.
- National Alliance on Mental Illness: <https://www.nami.org/> NAMI is the nation's largest grassroots mental health organization dedicated to building better lives for the millions of Americans affected by mental illness.

NYPD Affiliated Resources:

- **Chaplain's Unit (212) 473-2363** The NYPD's Chaplains Unit provides spiritual help and guidance regardless of our members' faith or beliefs.
- **Police Organization Providing Peer Assistance (POPPA) (888) 267-7267** POPPA is independent from the NYPD, but supported by the Department. POPPA is staffed by volunteer peers as well as professionals offering support to uniformed members and retirees. They are available 24/7.

24/7 Telemedicine Program with Teladoc

(For Those Covered Under the EmblemHealth GHI-CBP Plan)

With Teladoc, you can talk with a doctor within minutes rather than days or hours. Teladoc doctors can diagnose, treat and prescribe medication (when medically necessary) for non-emergency medications. This includes treatments for the flu, sore throat, allergies, stomach aches, eye infections, bronchitis, and much more. The copay is \$10 per consultation. To set up your account now so you can talk

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BENEFITS DEA HEALTH BENEFITS FUND RETIRED MEMBERS

<https://www.nycdetectives.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/12/DEA-Retiree-Brochure-2017.pdf>

DENTAL DENTAL PANEL PROGRAM

- No annual or lifetime maximum
- No out-of-pocket costs; with exception of a \$50.00 co-pay for prosthetics

FEE SCHEDULE (REIMBURSEMENT) PROGRAM

- No annual maximum
- \$2,000 lifetime maximum for periodontal surgery

ORTHODONTIC BENEFIT

- Provided via fee schedule program
- \$1,450 lifetime maximum per eligible benefit

PRESCRIPTION DRUG

- \$11,000 annual maximum per family
- No lifetime maximum
- Co-payments
 1. Generic – \$10 or less (not to exceed cost of medication)
 2. Brand – 30% plus cost of difference between brand & generic (if available)
 3. Psychotropic & Asthma drugs 45% co-pay
- Mandatory generic program
- Retail & Mail order option - Mail order offers a 90 day supply with applicable co-pays. \$50.00 per individual /\$150 per family, annual deductible for brand name prescription

OPTICAL PANEL PROGRAM DAVIS VISION & VISION SCREENING

- Member & covered dependents entitled to an eye exam & eye glasses or contact lenses annually co-pays may apply to exams/frames
- Co-Payments required for optional services i.e. scratch resisting, antireflective coatings, etc

LASER VISION SERVICES

- Discount program provided through Davis Vision network

HEARING AID

- \$500 maximum per ear every 4 years for member & covered dependents

CATASTROPHIC COVERAGE

- For members who participate in City's GHI-CBP plan
- Self-insured by the Fund
- \$250,000 lifetime maximum per family
- Pays 100% of eligible expenses (medical considered reasonable & customary by GHI) after
- \$4,000 deductible per family unit
- Refund \$3,000 of deductible per calendar year, once \$4,000 is satisfied

DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT & PRIVATE DUTY NURSING

- Provides a rider to members & covered dependents enrolled in City's HIP plan
- Provides durable medical equipment & private duty nursing
- After the first 72 hours of private duty care, pays for usual & customary charges
- No annual deductible for covered appliance

FULL BODY SCAN DISCOUNT BENEFIT

- Provides full body scan screening through Inner Imaging, P.C., for a discounted fee of \$375
- Dependents have a discounted rate of \$375

DEATH BENEFIT TERM LIFE PROVIDED BY THE DEA

- \$2,000 for members who retired (between 1/1/79 to 8/31/83 from the NYPD)

GHI & HIP/VIP CO-PAY REFUND

- \$5.00 Refund on co-pays for physician office visits, for members of GHI-CBP and HIP/VIP. Up to 15 office visits per year per family. Certain exclusions apply.

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Keep Cop-Killers in Jail

In multimedia ad campaigns launched last May the PBA is thanked every New Yorker who helped us deliver over 800,000 petitions against the parole of cop-killers to the Parole Board in Albany. The PBA is encouraging the public to keep up the support by using the [Keep Cop-Killers In Jail](#)" tool on this website.

Thank you for helping us **HOLD THE LINE**

The NYC PBA
just delivered
816,725 petitions
to the New York
State Parole
Board opposing
the release of
cop-killers.



**But make no mistake:
WE ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING THIS BATTLE**

We have already seen **SEVEN** cop-killers paroled in the past year and a half, including two who will walk out of prison doors next month. We need every law-abiding New Yorker to tell the Parole Board that an attack on a police officer is an attack on all of us.

Visit www.nycpba.org & click:
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June 2, 2020

Dear PBA Member,

There has never been a more dangerous time for our profession or our city. Police officers across our country are under attack by extremists who seek to destroy everything we stand for, destroy all the good we do for our communities and – in too many cases – physically attack and injure us.

This is a nationwide assault. But as always, New York City is at the forefront of the lunacy. Nearly 300 of our brothers and sisters have been injured during the recent unrest – but you have heard almost nothing about their sacrifice in the media. Instead, you are hearing the rabid calls to defund law enforcement, strip us of our rights and imprison us for doing what our city's leaders sent us out to do.

The NYPD's senior leadership have surrendered. They are still trying to appease radicals who won't be satisfied with anything short of complete destruction of the NYPD. Mayor de Blasio has lost control, and even the anti-cop City Council is scrambling to catch up to the mob in the street.

Our loudest and most aggressive detractors are now in charge. We are alone and under siege. What do we do?

The PBA is encouraging all members to keep the following points in mind in the current environment:

- Your first responsibility is the safety of your own family and your fellow police officers. No matter what, every one of us must go home safely at the end of tour.
- Your second responsibility is to New Yorkers in distress. If you receive a call for help, render aid. Treat every crime victim the way you would want your own family members treated.
- After you fulfill those two responsibilities, **DO NOT DO ANYTHING MORE THAN YOU ARE REQUIRED TO DO BY LAW OR DEPARTMENT REGULATIONS.** You are **NOT RESPONSIBLE** for providing political cover to 1 Police Plaza or City Hall.
- The people of New York City, through their elected leadership, have chosen this approach to public safety. As law enforcement professionals, we might believe they have made a mistake, but we cannot and will not change their minds. They will need to see and experience a decaying, crime-ridden city before they reverse course.

We cannot understate the extent to which you are **PERSONALLY AT RISK** in this environment. The risks are far more serious than an anarchist throwing a brick:

You should expect that anti-police activists will be targeting you and possibly your family for harassment...or worse. **We recommend deactivating all social media profiles, or at least removing any personal information or information that identifies you as a member of law enforcement.**

You should also expect that **any use of force will be criminalized**, even and especially when you are following the directives of police and elected leaders. Prosecutors here and around the country are refusing to prosecute criminals. Instead, they are directing their attention to prosecuting police officers. Before using any form of force, ask yourself: is it worth getting locked up for this?

These are things you can do as an individual police officer. As an organization, the PBA will remain focused on what has always been our core mission: to protect our members' safety and most basic rights and to strategically defend every police officer who is wrongfully persecuted.

This is a sad and somber time for police officers across our country. And I will be blunt: it will not get better soon. But we will survive as long as we remain together. Our solidarity is our greatest strength, and the greatest safety measure we have is each other.

Fraternally,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Patrick J. Lynch'.

Patrick J. Lynch
President

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World Trade Center Resources

Police Pension Fund Notice of Participation

Download the [Notice of Participation Form](http://www.nyc.gov/html/nycppf/downloads/pdf/wtc_notice_of_participation_201609.pdf): http://www.nyc.gov/html/nycppf/downloads/pdf/wtc_notice_of_participation_201609.pdf

- Members who participated in the rescue, recovery and clean-up operations at the World Trade Center site or certain other locations must file a Notice of Participation with the Police Pension Fund in order to protect their presumptive eligibility for accident disability pension benefits.
- Recent PBA-backed legislation has extended the filing deadline through **September 11, 2022**. Members who have not already filed a Notice of Participation should download and submit the form without delay. Members who have previously submitted a Notice of Participation should check the Police Pension Fund website to confirm that their Tax ID is listed. http://www.nyc.gov/html/nycppf/html/wtc_information/wtc_information.shtml

World Trade Center Health Program — Monitoring & Treatment

- The federal World Trade Center Health Program provides free medical monitoring and treatment for WTC-related conditions. The recent PBA-backed renewal of the James Zadroga 9/11 Health and Compensation Act provides funding for the program through the year 2090.
- Visit the WTC Health Program website to enroll for the first time and find more information, including clinic locations. <https://www.cdc.gov/wtc/>
- If you have been previously registered but have not been seen for an exam in over a year, call 1-888-702-0630, or your usual Clinical Center of Excellence (if other than Mount Sinai) to schedule your next visit and update your information.

Victim Compensation Fund

- The federal Victim Compensation Fund provides monetary compensation to WTC victims and first responders who were injured or made ill by the attack. The Zadroga Act renewal provided additional funding and allows individuals to file claims through **Dec. 18, 2020**.

Visit the Victim Compensation Fund website to learn how to register and file a claim. <https://www.vcf.gov/index.html>

Links to Police Line and Fraternal Organization websites



<http://www.nycdetectives.org/>



<https://members.sbanyc.org/>



<http://www.nypd-lba.org/>



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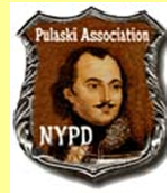
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New NYC Health Benefit ID Cards

Effective July 1, 2020

CBP/ Empire BlueCross BlueShield

You and your eligible dependents will be receiving new GHI-CBP/ Empire BlueCross BlueShield ID Cards in the month of July 2020.

Please begin using these new member ID cards on **July 1, 2020**, when they go into effect.

You'll notice your member ID number has changed.

- Your **EmblemHealth** card has an 11-digit member ID number that begins with the letter "K." Use this card when you see your doctor or have a medical service not done in a hospital. For example, lab test, x-ray, or MRI.
- Your **Empire BlueCross BlueShield** card has a 9-digit member ID number that begins with the letter "K." Use this card when you receive care in the hospital.
- If you have any family members on your plan, they will now get their own ID cards. If they do not receive their new cards by **June 22, 2020**, please call the EmblemHealth number on your card.
- **Empire BlueCross BlueShield** added the Emblem Behavioral Health Services phone number to the back of your card to support you and your family.
- Carefully check your personal information on these cards. If you have any questions, call the Customer Service number on the back of your card.
- In case of an emergency, it's a good idea to always carry both cards with you. Please be sure to present both cards when receiving health care services.
- Once you begin using these new cards on **July 1, 2020**, please destroy any other member ID cards you have.

Questions? If you have questions about your EmblemHealth plan, call **(212) 501-4444**. If you live outside of New York, call **(800) 624-2414** between 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday to Friday. A Customer Service representative will be happy to help.

If you have questions about your Empire BlueCross BlueShield plan, call **(800) 433-9592**. Their hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday. Or, visit their website at www.EmpireBlue.com/NYC

Express Scripts PICA Program

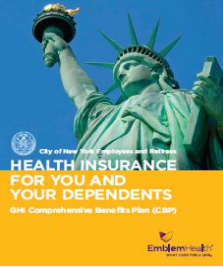
Starting July 1, 2020, please use the new PICA Prescription ID cards showing your new member PICA ID number to use your prescription drug plan. Express Scripts is mailing these new ID Cards to all active and non-Medicare retired City of New York members.

- These cards, with your **new PICA ID number**, replace any previous PICA Express Scripts member ID cards you may have, and should be used by all covered family members. **Please give this card to your pharmacy the next time you have a prescription filled for an injectable or chemotherapy medication. This will allow the pharmacy to process your prescription correctly.** PICA is a prescription drug benefit program, administered by Express Scripts, that is provided to you and your eligible dependents. It is made available through the joint efforts of the City of New York Office of Labor Relations and the Municipal Labor Committee. All employees, non-Medicare retirees, and their non-Medicare dependents enrolled in a health plan offered by the City's Health Benefits Program receive coverage for self-injectable and chemotherapy medications through the PICA program.
- As of July 1, please use the new PICA Prescription ID card when you fill specialty medications through Accredo, an Express Scripts specialty pharmacy. Accredo will need your new PICA ID number to process your prescriptions. You will also use your new PICA ID number if you fill medications at a network retail pharmacy or from the Express Scripts Home Delivery Pharmacy.

If you have any questions about your PICA prescription plan, **please register or log in at** www.express-scripts.com

Or call Patient Customer Service at 1 (800) 467-2006

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I continually receive inquiries from members who are unsure of what medical coverage they have through Emblem Health/GHI.

Thanks to Club member Mike Conover here is a link to the City of New York Health Insurance For You And Your Dependents Handbook. <http://www.emblemhealth.com/~media/Files/PDF/NYC%20Certificate%20of%20Insurance.pdf>

The handbook contains information of all of the medical coverage provided to NYC employees and retirees covered by GHI Comprehensive Benefits Plan.

Additionally, many members are still unaware of the GHI Catastrophic Coverage provided by the Superior Officers Council, Sergeants Benevolent Association and the Detectives Endowment Association..

This benefit was established to assist members and eligible dependents to defray some of the non-covered medical and surgical expenses incurred for services rendered by non-participating or out-of-net-work providers and to provide coverage for catastrophic illness.

The below information is listed on their respective websites.

SOC

Members must incur out-of-pocket expenses of more than \$4000.00 per year. (Out-of-pocket expenses are those medical and hospital charges that are considered reasonable and customary by GHI and that are not reimbursed by either the City Health Plan or private insurers).

Members must produce a statement of services, explanation of benefits form and cancelled checks for expenses submitted. Reimbursement is based on a contract year (January - Dec.) 100% of GHI reasonable and customary charges based on the current profile.

The maximum lifetime benefit is 2 million dollars.

The SOC provides a self-funded \$1,000 direct reimbursement payable to the member after the member has submitted, qualified paperwork under the GHI Catastrophic Rider outlined above and the member still has a minimum of at least \$4,000.00 of out-of-pocket qualified. The exclusions and restrictions are the same as the requirement for the catastrophic coverage benefit.

For example you may have paid \$10,000 dollars out-of-pocket expenses, but GHI's payment schedule only deems the reasonable and customary payment for the services to be \$6,000 dollars. The Member pays the remaining \$4,000 dollars of the balance and may now be eligible to receive \$1,000 dollars from the SOC Catastrophic Benefit.

The first \$25,000 is covered for Private Duty Nursing care and thereafter 50% of the remainder with a lifetime cap of \$50,000 per person. The cap for in-hospital Mental Health charges is \$10,000 individual lifetime maximum.

SOC – After a \$4000 annual family deductible, GHI pays 100% of reasonable and customary charges based on a current profile with a maximum lifetime payment of \$250,000 per person.

Limitations: The first \$25,000 is covered for private duty nursing care and 50% thereafter of the remainder with a lifetime cap of \$50,000 per person. The cap for in hospital mental health charges is \$10,000 per person.

<http://nypdsoc.com/retcatastrophic.html>

SBA—Eligibility

SBA members are eligible, as well as spouses/domestic partners and dependent children who are covered under a participating provider organization (PPO) or a point-of service (POS) plan presently being offered by the New York City Employee Health Benefits Program.

Definition of PPO and POS

Participating provider organization (PPO) indemnity plans offer the option to use either a network provider or an out-of-network provider for medical and hospital care. PPO plans contract with health care providers who agree to accept a negotiated payment from the health plan and predetermined co-payments from subscribers as payment in full for a schedule of medical services provided. When the subscriber uses a non-participating provider, the subscriber is subject to deductibles and/or a higher price schedule. GHI/CBP is an example of a PPO.

Point-of-service (POS) plans offer the freedom to use either a network provider or an out-of-network provider for medical and hospital care.

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SBA GHI Catastrophic Coverage continued.....

If the subscriber uses a network provider, health care delivery resembles that of a traditional HMO, with prepaid comprehensive coverage and little out-of-pocket costs for services.

When the subscriber uses an out-of-network provider, health care delivery resembles that of an indemnity insurance product, with less comprehensive coverage and subject to deductibles and coinsurance. HIP PRIME POS and U S. Health Care (QPOS) are POS plans.

The SBA H&W Fund catastrophic coverage plan does not cover subscribers of exclusive participating organizations (EPOs) because they do not provide any out of network benefits.

The catastrophic coverage benefit

The benefit pays up to 100 percent of reasonable and customary eligible expenses after a \$2,000 out-of-pocket annual deductible per person has been reached. Eligible out-of-pocket expenses are those SBA H&W Fund medical and hospital expense charges that are considered reasonable and customary by the basic City Health Plan and are not fully reimbursed by the City Health Plan or private group insurers.

Benefit limits and maximums

There is a lifetime maximum benefit of \$250,000 per covered person. Within this lifetime maximum are the following:

- (1) Mental health in-hospital care of \$10,000.
- (2) Required and approved private duty nursing is covered in full for the first unpaid \$25,000 and then at 50 percent for the remainder up to a lifetime maximum of \$50,000.

Services or charges not covered by the catastrophic benefit

In addition the benefit exclusions of the SBA H&W Fund, the catastrophic benefit does not cover outpatient psychiatric care and prescription drug charges. Ineligible charges such as experimental procedures or services not approved by the member's health plan are likewise not covered by this benefit. Medical, surgical and hospital charges incurred for services rendered by non-participating PPO providers or out-of-network POS providers must be approved by the member's health plan.

Submitting an SBA catastrophic benefit claim

Once you have reached the \$2,000 out-of-pocket, per-person annual deductible, obtain and submit the catastrophic claim benefit form to the Fund office for processing. Instructions are printed on the form.

<http://sbanyc.net/documents/benefits/health&Welfare/additionalBenefits/catastrophicBenefitInformation.pdf>

DEA—There are two parts to the DEA Catastrophic coverage. The first part is an extra rider that the DEA purchased through GHI. There is a \$4,000 deductible (retired members) per calendar year.

Claims for non-participating doctors are submitted through GHI for their basic allowance. Because GHI's payment schedule is so low the member always has an out of pocket expense. When the difference between what your doctor's charges and what GHI allows exceeds \$4,000 you may apply for the DEA catastrophic benefit.

(For example. Bills submitted to GHI are for \$20,000, GHI's basic allowance is \$5,000, your responsibility is the remaining \$15,000. You would send your GHI statements showing the above to the DEA, we would in turn forward it to GHI to be reprocessed under the DEA/GHI Catastrophic Rider. Of the remaining \$15,000 out of pocket expense*** GHI would minus the \$4,000 deductible and then GHI would send you a check for \$11,000. (Maximum benefit lifetime per family \$250,000).

The second part of the DEA catastrophic benefit is when you receive the Catastrophic payment from GHI, send the statement showing the \$4,000 deductible was met to the DEA and then the DEA itself will issue you a check for an additional \$3,000.

*** Please be advised that if GHI does not make an allowance for services rendered, that specific service will not be included in the calculations for catastrophic coverage.

There is also an additional benefit for Retired members under the DEA Catastrophic program . If your out of Pocket expense does not exceed \$4,000 but does exceed \$2,000

The DEA will refund expense between \$2,000 & \$4,000.

<http://nycdetectives.org/index.php/health-benefits-active-members/health-benefits-retired-members1/item/20-catastrophic-medical-expenses-retired>

9/11 HEALTH WATCH

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HEALTH PROGRAM

Understanding Different September 11th Assistance Programs

The James Zadroga 9/11 Health and Compensation Act of 2010 (Zadroga Act) authorized the World Trade Center (WTC) Health Program and the September 11th Victim Compensation Fund (VCF) to serve the 9/11 responder and survivor communities. Both programs have their own distinct mission, eligibility criteria, and enrollment process.

Enrolling in one program does not automatically enroll you in the other.



World Trade Center (WTC) Health Program

Provides: Medical monitoring and treatment of WTC-related health conditions for 9/11 responders and survivors.

Administered by: National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), part of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), part of U.S.

Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

Serves: Responders at the WTC and related sites in New York City. Responders to the Pentagon and Shanksville, Pennsylvania sites. Survivors who were present in the dust or dust cloud, and/or lived, worked, or went to school in the WTC Health Program's New York City Disaster Area.

Get more detailed information on Responder and Survivor date, time, and location requirements—including a map of the New York City Disaster Area—at www.cdc.gov/wtc/eligiblegroups.html

Deadline: None. The WTC Health Program is authorized until 2090.

More info: Care is provided through Clinical Centers of Excellence (CCEs) in the New York metropolitan area and a Nationwide Provider Network (NPN). Each CCE employs 9/11 health experts who have been diagnosing, treating, and linking conditions to 9/11 exposures since 2001. The NPN provides care through local medical providers across the country.

Questions about the WTC Health Program? www.cdc.gov/wtc or call 1-888-982-4748



September 11th Victim Compensation Fund (VCF)

Provides: Financial compensation for physical injuries, illnesses, or deaths that happened as the result of the 9/11 attacks.

Administered by: U.S. Department of Justice

Serves: Responders and survivors who were present at a 9/11 crash site (New York City, the Pentagon, Shanksville, Pennsylvania), on routes of debris removal, or at any location within the VCF's New York City Exposure Zone at any point from September 11, 2001, through May 30, 2002. Families of deceased individuals may also apply. The VCF does not distinguish between responders and survivors when evaluating eligibility and calculating awards.

See the VCF's New York City Exposure Zone at www.vcf.gov/nycExposureMap.html

Deadline: Yes. The VCF is authorized to accept claims through 2090, but you must meet your registration deadlines based on individual circumstances. Learn more at www.vcf.gov/pdf/RegisterChart.pdf

More info: VCF registration is different than filing a claim. Registration preserves your right to file a VCF claim in the future. You do not have to be sick or injured to register. WTC Health Program members with a certified condition have two years after the date on the certification letter to register with the VCF.

Questions about the VCF? www.vcf.gov or call 1-855-885-1555 (1-855-885-1558 for the hearing impaired)

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NYC Health Benefits Program City Coverage for Medicare-Eligible Retirees

In order to maintain maximum health benefits, it is essential that you join Medicare Part A (Hospital Insurance) and Part B (Medical Insurance) at your local Social Security Office as soon as you are eligible. If you do not join Medicare, you will lose whatever benefits Medicare would have provided.

Medicare Enrollment

You must notify the Health Benefits Program in writing immediately upon receipt of your, or your dependent's, Medicare card by completing the Medicare Part B Reimbursement Application: <https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/olr/downloads/pdf/health/med-b-application.pdf>

For retirees 65 and older Social Security has sent the IRMA letters indicating your Medicare part B deductions for 2019. When you receive your Medicare reimbursement check in the spring of 2020 you submit that letter, a copy of the 1099 from Social Security and the reimbursement form for any addition money that was withheld. You are also reimbursed for your spouse's Medicare deductions. If you have not filed in the past you can go back and file for up to 3 past years.

Medicare Part B Reimbursement

The City will reimburse retirees and their eligible dependents for Medicare Part B premiums paid, excluding any penalties. You must be receiving a City pension check and be enrolled as the contract holder for City health benefits in order to receive reimbursement for Part B premiums.

For most retirees, the refund is issued automatically by the Health Benefits Program. If you are currently receiving your pension check through Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT) or direct deposit, your reimbursement will be deposited directly into your bank account. This will be separate from your pension payment. If you don't have EFT or direct deposit, you will receive a check in the mail in June.

The reimbursement amount is based on the standard Medicare Part B premiums. If your Medicare Part B reimbursement amount was less than what you paid in Medicare Part B premiums, excluding penalties, you may be eligible for a Medicare Part B Differential reimbursement. To receive the differential reimbursement, please complete the Medicare Part B Differential Request form (below).

If you were eligible for Medicare Part B Reimbursement for prior years but did not enroll by providing a copy of your Medicare card, reimbursement is limited to the previous three (3) calendar years. To enroll, please complete the Medicare Part B Reimbursement Program Application.

[Learn More about Medicare Part B Reimbursement](#)

[Medicare Part B Reimbursement Program Application](#)

[2019 Medicare Part B Reimbursement Differential Request Form](#) - Reimbursement for 2019 will be issued in March 2021

[2018 Medicare Part B Reimbursement Differential Request Form](#)

[2017 Medicare Part B Reimbursement Differential Request Form](#)

2019 Medicare Part B Premium Reimbursement ANSWERS TO FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

The standard reimbursement amount for Calendar Year 2019 is \$109.00 per person, per month. For those newly enrolled in Medicare in 2019, currently, the standard amount is \$135.50. The reimbursements will be issued in April. If you are currently receiving your pension check through Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT) or direct deposit, your Medicare Part B reimbursement will be deposited directly into your bank account. This will be a separate payment from your pension payment. If you don't have EFT or direct deposit, you will receive a check in the mail in April.

Question: How do I enroll for the Medicare Part B reimbursement?

Answer: Complete the Medicare Part B Reimbursement Program Application and return it with a copy of your Medicare card to the address listed above, Attention: Medicare Unit.

Question: I am a City retiree. Is my spouse/domestic partner/Medicare-eligible dependent entitled to the Medicare Part B reimbursement?

Answer: Yes. They are eligible if they are covered under your City health plan and enrolled in Medicare Part B Reimbursement and the health plan has the dependent in Medicare status. Complete the Medicare Part B Reimbursement Program Application and return it with a copy of their Medicare card to the address listed above, Attention: Medicare Unit.

Question: I received the standard premium amount of \$109.00 per month for 2019 for the Medicare Part B reimbursement. However, I paid more than the standard amount. Can I be reimbursed for the difference?

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NYC Health Benefits Program

Answer: Yes. If your 2019 monthly Medicare Part B premium was between \$110.00 and \$135.50, you may be eligible for an additional reimbursement amount referred to as a differential payment. In order to receive the differential payment, the retiree and/or dependent must submit a copy of proof of this additional payment (for example, the Form SSA-1099, bank statements, CMS-500 Notice of Medicare Payment Due) to our office for review. If approved, you will receive the differential payment during the first quarter of 2021. For further information and to download the Medicare Part B Differential Request form, visit our website at nyc.gov/hbp.

If, however, you are enrolled in Medicare Part B as of 2016, you should have received reimbursement of \$135.50 per month automatically and no action will be required on your part.

Question: Many people received their reimbursement and I didn't get mine yet. What should I do?

Answer: Medicare reimbursements were deposited directly into the same account that you use for your pension payment. Please check your bank statement.

Question: I don't have direct deposit for my pension payment and still have not received my Medicare reimbursement. What should I do? Answer: You should write to the address listed above, Attention: Medicare Unit. Please include your name, retiree spouse's name (if applicable) retiree's Social Security number, agency from which the retiree retired, current address, telephone number, and a copy of your Medicare card/ your spouse's Medicare card (if applicable). This review process may take up to 8 weeks from receipt of the above information. Question: The reimbursement I received is not the correct amount. What should I do?

Answer: You should write to the address listed above, Attention: Medicare Unit. Include your name, Social Security number, current address and telephone number, and a copy of your Medicare card. State the reason you believe the amount is incorrect. This process may take up to 8 weeks from receipt of the information.

Question: The check that I received is torn/ripped and the bank will not cash it. What should I do?

Answer: You should return the check to the address listed above, Attention: Medicare Unit. Include your name and Social Security number. It may take up to 8 weeks for a replacement check to be issued.

Question: I am the retiree and received a reimbursement for my spouse/domestic partner/Medicare- eligible dependent who died during the reimbursement year. What should I do?

Answer: Contact the Health Benefits Program in writing. Include both the retiree's and deceased individual's name, both Social Security numbers, address, phone number and a copy of the death certificate. Mail the information to the address listed above, Attention: Medicare Unit.

Question: My spouse/dependent was a City retiree who died before the reimbursements were issued. How do I claim the reimbursement?

Answer: You should write to the address listed above, Attention: Medicare Unit. Include the retiree's name and Social Security number, your name, your address, phone number and a copy of the death certificate. Upon receipt of the death certificate, we will contact you if further documentation is required.

Question: Do I have to re-enroll every year for the Medicare Part B Reimbursement?

Answer: No, but if you change your address, or if one of the eligible Medicare Part B recipients dies, you must notify the Health Benefits Program, in writing.

Question: What if my bank account information changes?

Answer: Please notify your pension system directly of any bank account changes. The changes will be automatically used for the Medicare Part B reimbursements.

Question: I paid more than the standard premium for Medicare Part B. Am I entitled to the higher premium reimbursement (IRMAA)?

Answer: You may be entitled to the higher reimbursement through Income Related Monthly Adjustment Amount (IRMAA). Visit our website at nyc.gov/hbp for further information.

IRMAA Medicare Part B Reimbursement

If you paid more than the standard monthly reimbursement rate for Medicare Part B, as an Income Related Monthly Adjustment Amount (IRMAA), you may be eligible for additional reimbursement. **If you submit the required documentation for Medicare Part B IRMAA reimbursement, your reimbursement will be deposited directly into your bank account.**

Learn More about IRMAA Medicare Part B Reimbursement: <https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/olr/downloads/pdf/health/faq-irmaa.pdf>

[IRMAA Medicare Part B Reimbursement Application \(for 2019, 2018 & 2017\)](#) - Reimbursement for 2019 will be issued in October 2020

[IRMAA Medicare Part B Reimbursement Application \(2016\)](#) - This form must be submitted by December 31, 2020

What's Happening

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WTC Health Program

9/11 Were You There?

18 years later, we are still seeing the health effects of 9/11.

If you responded following the 9/11 attacks, call us today to learn more about the
World Trade Center Health Program.

You may be eligible for medical monitoring and treatment for WTC-related conditions.

*Are You Enrolled In the WTC Health Program?
Have you been seen for your monitoring appointment?
Are you up to date with your appointments?*

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New Chokehold and Use-of-Force Legislation and other New Laws Passed by the New York State Legislature and the New York City Council

Under a new state law, currently in effect, a police officer is guilty of the C-felony crime of Aggravated Strangulation when he or she intentionally commits the crime of Criminal Obstruction of Breathing or uses a chokehold and causes serious physical injury or death.

Simultaneously, and ignoring police department recommendations, a new city bill makes it a misdemeanor for a police officer to restrain someone in a manner that restricts airflow or blood circulation by compressing the windpipe or carotid arteries. It further criminalizes as misdemeanors the acts of sitting, kneeling, or standing on the chest or back of a subject in a manner that compresses the diaphragm. These acts are defined by the new law as criminal acts, even if an act was unintentional and no injury was sustained by the subject.

These laws expose officers taking people into custody to criminal liability. Chokeholds have been prohibited in the department for decades, and we train officers not to kneel, sit, or stand on a subject's back or chest because of the risks to the diaphragm and free breathing. We know, however, that bringing violently-resisting subjects into custody has always been challenging.

The most common lapse is probably the use of the knee to try to secure a subject in a prone position. Officers must understand that such a maneuver is now a misdemeanor crime. Officers who are found to have sat, kneeled, or stood on the back or chest of a subject while effecting an arrest are subject to arrest themselves.

Therefore, never use a chokehold, neckhold, or headlock on the subject of an arrest. Never sit, kneel or stand on the subject's torso – including the back, the chest, or the abdomen.

You may still place the subject in a prone position. The prone position is usually the best option for bringing a resisting subject into custody and completing handcuffing procedures. But you must complete the arrest without sitting, kneeling, or standing on the subject's back or chest. Use arm holds and other holds to immobilize the subject until the cuffs are on. Officers may still sit or kneel on a subject's legs to keep them from flailing. When subjects are secure, either bring the subjects to a standing position or place them lying on their sides to allow unobstructed breathing.

In arrests involving multiple officers, officers should be using team tactics. If you see your partner apply a chokehold or sit, kneel, or stand on a subject's back or chest, stop them or physically move them away from the neck or torso, just as you would stop or move an officer to protect from crossfire dangers.

Stay safe from physical danger and from criminal and civil liability, too.

Numerous other laws have been passed at the state and city level affecting your work in the field. A summary of these laws follows below:

Legislative Summaries

Civil Rights Law 50-a

- Civil Rights Law 50-a has been repealed. This law prevented all personnel records, including discipline records, from being shared with the public. Personnel records, including disciplinary records, must now be provided upon request through the FOIL process. The Department will redact some personal information for officers.
- The new law requires the release of substantiated, unsubstantiated, unfounded and exonerated allegations.

Right to Record

- **State and City Versions:** This law requires that officers allow people to record UMOS in public as long as they do not interfere with the UMOS. The City law creates a cause of action against the officer, the Department, and the City with punitive damages and mandatory attorneys' fees, if a UMOS interferes with a person recording or takes their equipment without cause.
- Allowing people to record police activity in public has been Department policy for a number of years. The Department will be conducting additional training to reinforce these policies, including explanations of scenarios that would permit UMOS to order individuals who are recording to provide the UMOS with additional space to safely take police action.

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Shield and Rank Designation

- A new City law requires UMOS to display either their shield number **or** rank designation when in uniform. If an officer covers both, and a person asks the officer to uncover the shield or rank designation, and the UMOS refuses, the person may sue the officer, the Department, and the City. If they win, the court must award mandatory attorneys' fees and punitive damages.
- It is important to note that the shield number or rank designation is located on multiple areas of the uniform, not just the shield.
- Displaying shield numbers has been Department policy for years. The Department will be conducting additional training to reinforce these policies. In the meantime, UMOS should ensure their shield number and rank designation are visible at all times. If a UMOS' shield number or rank designation is obstructed, and an individual alerts a UMOS to this fact, the UMOS should activate their body-worn camera, make their shield number and rank designation visible, and state that they have done so. In the event the shield number and rank are not obstructed, that should be stated as well. In any case, the UMOS should state their shield number and rank designation to the individual.

Medical Care for Arrestees

- A new State law creates a duty for UMOS to provide **or** obtain medical care for physical or mental health issues for individuals who are under arrest or in our custody. If officers don't provide or obtain care that is reasonable under the circumstances, and the person suffers serious physical injury or their condition is significantly exacerbated, the individual may sue the officer, the Department, and the City.
- Obtaining medical care for individuals is already required under Department policy. The Department is working on additional safeguards to protect officers from litigation, such as asking individuals in our custody if they need medical care and recording such inquiries on body-worn cameras.

Weapons Discharges

- A new State law requires that officers report a weapons discharge that could have possibly hit a person to a supervisor within six hours of the discharge, and prepare a written report within 48 hours of the weapons discharge. Current NYPD policy is to immediately report weapons discharges.

Special Prosecutor

- A new state law expands the Attorney General's jurisdiction so that they can now investigate and prosecute any death that occurred as a result of the actions of a law enforcement officer or while the decedent is in law enforcement custody. This law merely shifts the responsibility from the local District Attorney to the Attorney General. The Attorney General has been investigating all unarmed civilian deaths by the police since 2015.

Law Enforcement Misconduct Investigation Office

- A new State law establishes a statewide office within the Attorney General's office that can review procedures and policies of any police department in New York State and make recommendations related to the operations and policies of law enforcement agencies. It may also investigate complaints concerning allegations of fraud, use of excessive force, criminal activity, conflicts of interest or abuse and determine if disciplinary action, civil action, or criminal prosecution is warranted. The Police Commissioner will still have the final determination on whether to impose discipline. When it comes to New York City, the types of complaints that this new office may investigate are already being investigated by CCRB, the five District Attorneys, the NYPD Inspector General, and the Conflicts of Interest Board – yet, this new office may nevertheless conduct such investigations.

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Green Book Online

The Green Book is the official directory of the City of New York. It is an indispensable reference guide for anyone living or working in New York City. The Green Book includes detailed listings of contacts within each agency.

CITY - NEW YORK CITY GOVERNMENT

<http://a856-gbol.nyc.gov/GBOLWebsite/GreenBook/City>

COUNTY - CITY OF NEW YORK COUNTY OFFICES

<http://a856-gbol.nyc.gov/GBOLWebsite/GreenBook/County>

STATE - NEW YORK STATE AGENCIES

<http://a856-gbol.nyc.gov/GBOLWebsite/GreenBook/State>

COURTS CITY, STATE AND FEDERAL

<http://a856-gbol.nyc.gov/GBOLWebsite/GreenBook/Courts>

FEDERAL—THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

<http://a856-gbol.nyc.gov/GBOLWebsite/GreenBook/Federal>



The NYPD Crime Prevention Division is now on Twitter: <https://twitter.com/NYPDCPD> This is a great resource for current and topical crime information, including scams involving Personal Protective Equipment (PPE); fraudulent COVID-19 test kits, stimulus payments, etc.



On-line manual for every gun on earth. Fantastic resource to have. <http://stevespages.com/page7b.htm>

NC Firearms Laws - <http://www.ncdoj.gov/getdoc/32344299-a2a7-4ae5-99fd-9018262f64ac/NC-Firearms-gun-Laws.aspx>

NC Gun Laws To Know - <https://www.gunstocarry.com/gun-laws-state/north-carolina-gun-laws/>

Concealed Carry Reciprocity Map & Gun Laws By State - https://www.usconcealedcarry.com/resources/ccw_reciprocity_map/

Qualification classes will be conducted on Fridays at Eagle Gun Range, 3789 Roberta Church Rd SW, Concord, NC 28027. Due to COVID-19 qualification spots are limited.

Contact Mike Boger: wrthawg@yahoo.com for further information.



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IF A MEMBER DIES - INFORMATION TO THE SURVIVING SPOUSE OR FAMILY

(Hopefully Not Needed For A Long Time)

Too often spouses and families are left in a quandary upon the death of a loved one. Few situations in life are more stressful than when a spouse passes. All too often we have a difficult time focusing on the issues at hand and need guidance to get the deceased affairs in order. The following is a general guide for the widow(er) or the deceased's family regarding important notifications that must be made by the surviving spouse and information you should have on hand when a retiree dies.

I. PREPARATIONS BEFOREHAND

- **GATHER ASSETS** - This doesn't mean piling them all together. It means getting a list of all the assets at the time of the decedent's death, along with copies of statements, deeds, etc. This information is needed for probate. It's also essential for filing federal and state estate tax returns, if required.
- **REVIEW IRAs** - If the surviving spouse is the beneficiary, decide whether to roll an IRA over to the surviving spouse.
- **GET GOOD ADVICE** - and get it now. The money you pay to attorneys and other advisers to resolve issues NOW can be much lower than if you deal with problems AFTER a person's death.
- In case of couples, usually most of the property is held in joint names and the survivor obtains same "by operation of law". However, there may be some items which were held in the name of the deceased only, and in that case it would be necessary to go to Probate Court to transfer ownership of that property, unless listed in a trust.
- **GET ORGANIZED NOW** - When someone dies, one of the big problems for beneficiaries is locating the things necessary to settle the estate. Make sure you know before the death occurs where to find the following documents and information. (This is just a partial list)
 1. Will
 2. Living Will
 3. Trust
 4. Deeds (if any).
 5. Safe-deposit boxes (location of boxes, contents and keys).
 6. Life insurance policies.
 7. Funeral and burial instructions.
 8. Names and addresses of creditors and debtors.
 9. List of assets and where they are located.
 10. List of all advisers (attorney, accountant, insurance agent, stockbroker, etc.).

II. STEPS TO BE TAKEN AFTER DEATH - Notifications to be made:

1. NYC Police Pension Fund (either in writing or by telephone)
233 Broadway, 25th Floor
New York, New York 10279
Attention: Retiree Death Benefits Unit
Telephone [212\) 693-5607](tel:212-693-5607)/5919

Contact the appropriate Union for a possible existing life insurance policy and also for continuation of optional benefits, if qualified.

- Police Officers - Patrolmen's Benevolent Association (PBA) at [212\) 233-5531](tel:212-233-5531)
- Detectives - Detectives' Endowment Association (DEA) at [212\) 587-9120](tel:212-587-9120)
- Sergeants - Sergeant's Benevolent Association (SBA) at [212\) 431-6555](tel:212-431-6555)
- Lieutenants and above - Superior Officers Council (SOC) at [212\) 964-7500](tel:212-964-7500)

2. Contact the NYC Health Benefits Program for Special Continuation of Coverage application (coverage for life) located at 40 Rector Street, 3rd Floor, New York 10006 [212\) 513-0470](tel:212-513-0470).

3. Contact the NYPD Operations Unit located at One Police Plaza at [646\) 610-5580](tel:646-610-5580), for pall bearers (Funeral Director will usually do this for you) for all five boroughs, all of Long Island and Upstate New York, but not beyond Dutchess County.

4. Contact Social Security: [800\) 772-1213](tel:800-772-1213) (Funeral Director will usually do this for you).

5. Contact Fraternal Organizations to arrange for visitors, Color Guard and possible insurance benefits

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6. If a veteran, notify the Veterans Administration at [\(800\) 827-1000](tel:800-827-1000) for: Grave marker, Funeral Allowance and Flag (Funeral Director will usually do this for you).
If can't find discharge papers or DD 214, you will need date of Enlistment, date of Discharge, Branch & Serial Number. If deceased had 100% disability for 10 years, spouse is entitled to an additional benefit.
7. Notify your Church or Temple for announcements.
(Funeral Director will usually do this for you).
8. Health Insurance: COBRA (Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985) COBRA has a safety net. If spouse or dependent was covered under deceased's health plan they may continue coverage under COBRA for up to 36 months. New York State in 2001 amended the Administrative Code to continue Health Care Coverage for Surviving Spouses for Life (Download Information Regarding this Amendment). This enables the deceased's spouse and/or dependents to receive coverage at the group rate. The City and the Line Organization health benefits stop at the death of the members. The rate, though high, is cheaper than the non group rate.
Call: NYC Employee Benefits [\(212\) 513-0470](tel:212-513-0470)

THIS INFORMATION PERTAINS TO COBRA

Police Officers & Firefighter surviving spouses are to follow this procedure

Attach a machine copy of the death certificate to a request for an application for COBRA FOR LIFE and send it to:

Retired Employees Benefits Section

Att: Linda Harris (**Cobra for Life**)

40 – Rector Street – 3rd Floor

New York, NY 10006

They will send the surviving spouse a pre-numbered application allowing the spouse to continue the health coverage the member had at a cost equal to 102% of what the City pays, which includes administrative fees. This is fairly reasonable. Applying for this must be done within 30 days. Benefits are retroactive if the surviving spouse requires medical attention during this interim period.

At this time if a member and spouse are of Medicare age, and reside in an area covered by Aetna, I would strongly recommend they choose that plan over GHI/EBC/CBP.

Also, they would need to consider the respective union plans as those plans would only be available for 36 months, and whether the health plan rider would be a better choice.

THINGS YOU WILL NEED

DEATH CERTIFICATES - Death Certificates are necessary in every step to the successful administration of a decedent's estate. (Usually Funeral will obtain certificates as part of his service at current cost). They are usually needed for:

Pension Bureau

Veterans Administration (if a veteran)

Motor Vehicle Bureau if auto was in deceased's name. 1 for each insurance policy.

Court (If probate is needed).

Your State Department of Revenue to obtain non-tax certificate if real property is involved.

Bank accounts held in Trust for another 1 for each account if property held in a Trust.

Personal Records.

Note: If estate is probated, some of the above will take a Letter Testamentary instead of a Death Certificate.

MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE (With Official Raised Seal):

Social Security, (not necessary if surviving spouse already receiving benefits)

Veterans Administration, if a veteran.

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY or LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION:

Motor Vehicle Bureau, if auto is in the deceased's name.

One for each bank account

Brokerage house account (share of stock or bonds, etc. that were in the deceased's name alone)

DISCHARGE PAPERS: DD 214 - (Original needed)

Social Security, if spouse was not already receiving benefits. Remember that service time counts toward qualification. They will Photostat.

Veterans Administration, if a veteran

PAID FUNERAL BILLS:

1 copy for Pension Bureau

1 copy for Probate Court

1 copy for IRS, if taxable estate.

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OTHER THINGS THAT MAY APPLY (usually after burial)

Cancel any leases. (If your parent or loved one rented a home, cancel the lease after clearing out the furnishings)
Inform insurance companies.

File life insurance claims for any policies on the person's life, and request that the insurers send you Form 712, Life Insurance Statement (this is a statement about the life insurance that must be filed with the estate tax return).

Make sure the car insurance company continues to cover the person's car until it's sold or transferred to a beneficiary.

Make sure the homeowners policy continues to provide adequate coverage for the person's things until removed from the home.

Notify companies the person did business with.

Cancel credit cards, and close charge accounts.

Have airlines to transfer frequent-flier miles to the primary beneficiary. (Each airline has different policy concerning this issue. Check with carrier about rules)

Consideration should also be given to making pre-death funeral arrangements. This provision, no matter how painful, should be discussed by couples and by parents with their families. Too often, spouse and children spend much too much money on a funeral and do so without really knowing what were the deceased's wishes in this regard (Place of burial, Cremation, etc.)

Consideration should also be given to having a "Family Durable Power of Attorney" (Someone to take over your finances if you become incapacitated or incompetent)

There are no words of comfort at such a difficult time, however, if you have all the necessary information at the ready it will expedite any claim that is pending, make the process run smoothly, and your stress level can be minimized.

Attached is a List of Phone Numbers that you can print out and put with your important papers.

Operations Desk	646-610-5580
NYCPD General Info	646-610-5000
Pension Section	866-692-7733
I D Card Section	646-610-5150
Employee Benefits	212-513-0470
PBA Health & Welfare	212-349-7560
PBA Caremark Drug Plan	877-722-7911
PBA Satellite	954-977-3880
DEA	212-587-9120
SBA	212-226-2180
SBA Health & Welfare	212-431-6555
RSA	516-564-1861
LBA-SOC	212-964-7500
GHI	800-358-5500
Empire Blue Cross	800-433-9592
Medicare Re-Imbursement	212-513-0470
Medicare	800-633-4227
Social Security	800-772-1213
Social Security-TTY #	800-325-0778

COBRA INFO FOR SURVIVING SPOUSE

<http://www1.nyc.gov/site/olr/health/retiree/health-retiree-cobra.page>

COBRA health benefits for surviving spouses.

- 1 Google - Health Benefits NYC
- 2 Click on Health Benefits
- 3 You will be on NYC Office of Labor Relations site
- 4 Click on RETIREE at top
- 5 Then on left side click on FORMS AND DOWNLOADS
- 6 Then click on COBRA FORM NOTICE OF RIGHTS AND COBRA
- 7 This form has all the info needed and also where to mail form to.
- 8 This is Cobra for life for the surviving spouse.

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POLICE-MEN NEWS Transfers-Appointments News pertaining to those in blue

10 July 1910

PATROLMAN OWENS TOSSED ASIDE IN MAD RACE AND HURT

Dragged more than a block by a madly dashing horse, Detective Joseph DONELON, of the Brooklyn Bureau, clung to the animal's neck until he had brought it to a stop within one hundred feet of police headquarters today.

DONELON, although tossed about by the animal in its efforts to free itself of the burden, which was stopping its wild run, escaped with hardly a bruise.

The horse was attached to a light wagon owned by the Somerset Laundry of 478 Bergen Street. Frank MORAN, the driver, had left it in front of 328 Jay Street, near Willoughby, to make a delivery.

The clanging of the fire gong at Fire Headquarters, half a block away frightened the animal and it started toward Fulton Street. It had not gone fifty feet before it was hitting its highest speed. Witnesses who saw the animal approach Fulton Street say it was going at close to a two minute clip. Patrolman Arthur OWENS, of the Adams Street station, was at Fulton and Jay Streets, on his way to the station house. He made a dive for the horse's head, but by a sudden turn the animal cleared the bluecoat and continued on its way. OWENS recovered his balance, and caught the tail board as the wagon went by. He was just swinging up as the wagon hit the car tracks on Fulton Street and lurched sideways. OWENS' hold was broken and he was thrown into the gutter, landing on his left side.

The horse continued on its way. At Livingston Street it crossed in front of a Third Avenue trolley car, just grazing the fender by inches. Detective DONELON was crossing Schermerhorn Street when he heard the clatter of hoofs behind him. One glance showed him the situation. Running to the middle of the street, he jumped and caught the horse around the neck. Swinging his feet from the ground he put all his weight in bending the animal's neck.

At State Street he was able to turn the horse into the gutter and bring it to a stop against a trolley pole. OWENS had picked himself up and followed the animal. He had sustained numerous bruises and contusions and an ambulance was called from the Brooklyn Hospital. Dr. PABST found him suffering from a sprain of the left wrist, contusions of the elbow, and shock. He dressed the man's injuries, and OWENS was sent home. The horse and wagon were not damaged.

POLICEMAN HURT

Lacerations of the forehead were sustained yesterday afternoon by Sergeant Edward J. MCGANN, 45 years old, of 368 Gates Avenue car at Throop Avenue. MCGANN is attached to the Gates avenue police station. He was attended at St. John's Hospital, reported sick and left for home.

SWAN IS EXTRADITED FOR KIDNAPING SON

Joseph W. SWAN, 47 years old, of 69 Hancock Street, Everett, Mass., who is charged with kidnaping his six-year-old son, Robert, from his divorced wife in Boston in May, 1908, and going to Brazil, where the two had been for the past two years, was taken to Boston today. SWAN is anxious to get back to Boston, and said yesterday had the police not arrested him here he would be in Boston now. He said he left Rio Janeiro with full knowledge he would be arrested just as soon as he set foot ashore, but he made up his mind to see his mother, who is now in her eighty-sixth year, and very feeble, no matter what the cost. SWAN believes Massachusetts justice will be lenient with him owing to the fact that he notified the Boston police before sailing from the South American port that he was about to embark for this country.

13 July 1910

POLICE TRIALS

"Between a lieutenant with a soft voice, a sergeant who gets hot and a problem in fractions, what chance has a patrolman got?" queried Trial Commissioner WALSH at Police Headquarters today during the hearing of the charges against Patrolman Patrick F. HOGAN, of the Bergen Street station.

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HOGAN was charged by Sergeant James J. SHEEHAN with being absent from the crossing at Public School 47, Dean Street near Third Avenue, at noon on May 25. "Were you absent from the crossing?" asked Deputy WALSH. "Sure, I wasn't even on that post," replied HOGAN.

Then he explained he was told to cover one post and part of another until a certain time, when he was to take still another post. He did not understand that the post including the school crossing was assigned to him.

Sergeant SHEEHAN said he thought the patrolman might have misunderstood the orders. He explained that the lieutenant who turned out the platoon that morning had a very soft voice. Lieut. Thomas F. KANE is the soft-voiced policeman.

SHEEHAN further explained he had covered the school crossing for an hour and five minutes and was very hot when he g??? HOGAN the complaint. Commissioner WALSH reserved decision.

Policeman Patrick J. DONOVAN, of the Bedford Avenue station, added his name to the list of lifesavers early today, when he recued eight persons from a burning building at 305 Wythe Avenue. DONOVAN was badly burned about the face and hands in making the rescues and had to be attended by an ambulance surgeon.

The "cop" had been on strike duty at the Havemeyer Sugar Refinery and shortly before 9 o'clock this morning was relieved. While walking through Wythe Avenue, on his way to the station house, he saw the cobbler shop, kept by John PASSANTE, on the ground floor of the three-story double brick tenement, at 305 Wythe Avenue, ablaze. DONOVAN kicked at the door of the shop to arouse PASSANTE.

PASSANTE occupied the rooms in the rear of his shop. He lives there with his wife and three children, and his mother and two sisters. DONOVAN continued to kick the door until it broke open. He was met by a rush of flames and smoke, but forced his way through them to the rooms in the rear of the store.

In the first room he found PASSANTE's mother and her two daughters. They were all unconscious from the effects of the smoke. The "cop" groped his way to the bed, and finding the three persons unable to help themselves, he placed the old woman and her youngest daughter under his arms and carried them to the street. DONOVAN then returned to the room and took the other daughter to a place of safety.

DONOVAN made his way into the burning rooms for the third time. He found PASSANTE and his wife in a semi-conscious condition, attempting to make their way to the street. Mrs. PASSANTE had her a 4-months-old child under her arm.

As the "cop" entered the room, Mrs. PASSANTE fell to the floor, unable to make her way any further. DONOVAN took the woman and her child to the street. When DONOVAN reached the street he was suffering greatly from inhaling smoke and was hardly able to stand. Nevertheless he again entered the building when he learned from Mrs. PASSANTE her other two children were still in the burning building.

On his hands and knees DONOVAN again groped his way into the rooms of the PASSANTE family. He crawled to the rear room and reaching over the bed pulled the two children to the floor. He then dragged them to the street. While making his way from the room with the two children DONOVAN was badly burned about the face and hands.

It has been PASSANTE's custom to place a lighted candle on a small table near his bed each night. Last night his sisters put their celluloid hair combs on the table near the candle and it is believed by the police that during the night PASSANTE in turning knocked over the candle and set the combs on fire.

When the other tenants in the house were aroused by the noise DONOVAN made in kicking in the door, they rushed from the house panic stricken. They were so frightened none of them went to the "cop's" aid in rescuing the members of PASSANTE's family. When they learned the house was on fire the excited Italians began wailing and crying.

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POLICE-MEN NEWS continued.....

An alarm of fire had been sent in, but the firemen were so hampered by the excited Italians they could not work until after the arrival of the reserves from the Bedford Avenue station, who cleared the streets. The fire was extinguished after doing damage amounting to \$1,000.

Capt. DOOLEY made a special report of DONOVAN's bravery.

28 July 1910

POLICE TRIALS

Lieut. Ladslaus STRANSKY of the Ralph avenue police station was called before Deputy Commissioner REYNOLDS yesterday afternoon to explain why he had confined a citizen in a cell over night. The complaint was made by Inspector HARKINS.

Edward MC AVEY, of 242 Patchen avenue, was taken to the station house on the night of May 31 by Harry OSBURN, proprietor of a private detective agency, and one of his men, Ridgewood PHILIPS. They charged MC AVOY with petit larceny. STRANSKY detained him until next morning, at which time he was taken to a magistrate's court in Manhattan and held for Special Sessions.

MC AVOY had been employed by the Metropolitan Hardware Company. He is alleged to have taken articles from his place of business. After hearing the testimony of the two detectives and MC AVOY, all of whom claimed they had been spoken to very harshly, Lieut. STRANSKY admitted he had detained MC AVOY on the complaint of the detectives. Commissioner REYNOLDS, after lecturing the detectives, reserved decision.

The charges against Policeman Thomas F. MC HAFFY of the Hamilton avenue station were dismissed after the testimony of half a dozen witnesses had been heard. Commissioner REYNOLDS finding the evidence insufficient to convict. MC HAFFY was charged with arresting a Mrs. BRANGLES without cause. This was his first charge of any account during the twenty years he has been on the force. Several other minor cases were heard and the complaints in many instances were dismissed.

Thomas BYRNES of the Fulton street station was fined one day's pay for reporting too late at the Clason avenue station to take a prisoner to court. He said the alarm clock failed to "alarm".



20th Precinct Circa 1900



**Virtual Membership Meeting
June 9, 2020**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05pm with the pledge of allegiance. This was followed by the invocation and the reading of the names and circumstances of the death of the 19 officers who died in the line of duty since last month's membership meeting and a moment of silence for these officers.

Roll Call of Officers

President: Harvey Katowitz
Vice President: Bernard Roe
Treasurer: Chris Russo
Secretary: Scott Hickey - Excused
Sgt. at Arms: Harry Dobson - Excused
Trustee: Bob Fee
Trustee: Kevin Gribbon
Trustee: Brenda Jordan
Trustee: Ian McGrouther
Trustee: Ben Pepitone
Historian: Jim Rochford - Excused
Chaplain: Donald Sanchez
Chaplain: Rich McCarron

Review of March Minutes: Available in May's newsletter. A motion to waive the review of the minutes was made and seconded. The motion passed.

Introduction of guest speakers: None

Sickness & Distress:

- April 29, Rich Comnesso, president of the Verrazano 10-13 Club passed away.
- May 25, Nancy S. Hein, mother-in-law/mother of John & Valerie Sabato passed away.
- National Pres. Frank Martarella is recovering from knee surgery
- Club historian Jim Rochford is recovering from by-pass surgery.
- John Erker & his wife Megan are recovering from COVID-19

Communications & Bills:

- New York State Legislature and Governor Cuomo plan to repeal Civil Rights Law 50-a and furthermore enact several laws that would directly impact a police officer's ability to do their job.
- Attempts are being made in several cities to defund the police and ban the use of tear gas, pepper spray & pepper balls.

Report of officers

President:

- Members were informed of the National's updated policy on the renewal of ID Cards.
- Meeting will continue virtually via Zoom until further notice

Vice President: Nothing to report

Treasurer: Report given. A motion to accept the report was made, seconded and approved.

Trustees:

- Bob Fee: Nothing to report
- Kevin Gribbon: Nothing to report
- Brenda Jordan: Nothing to report
- Ian McGrouther: Nothing to report
- Ben Pepitone: Nothing to report

Sgt. at Arms: Excused

Historian: Excused

Committee Reports:

- Membership: 414
- Socials: Jimmy LaRossa golf tournament has been postponed until 2021

Old Business: None

New Business:

- Motions: None
- Questions: None
- Comments: suggestion was made to use Zoom during our in person membership meetings so that members who cannot physically be at the meeting can participate.

Good of the Club:

- 50/50 Suspended

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made, seconded and approved.

Next Meeting

July 14, 7pm





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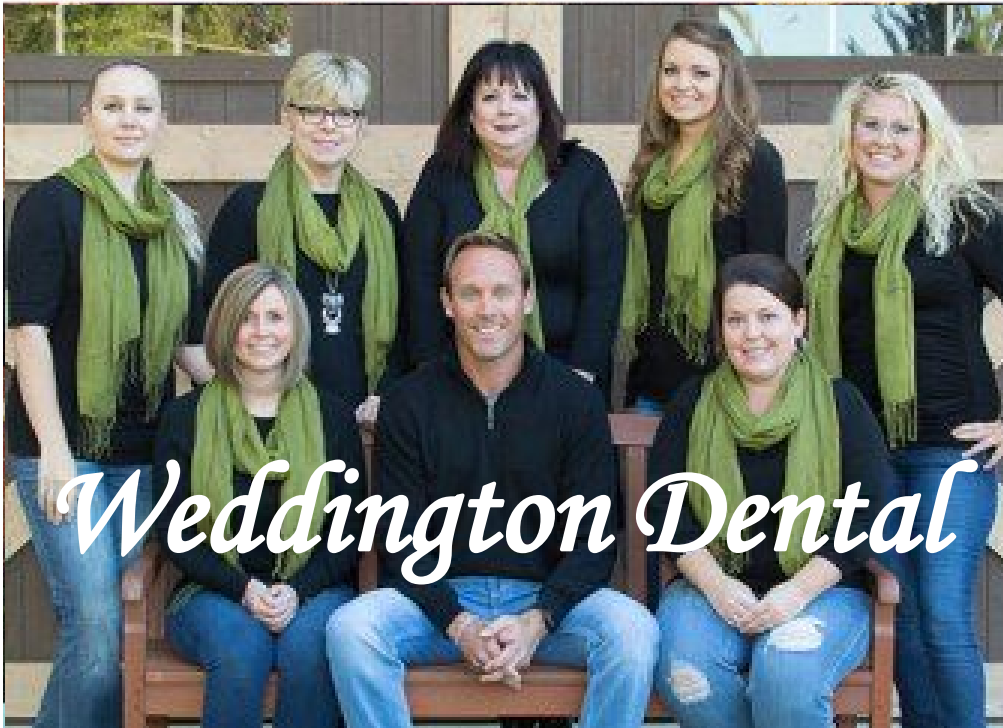
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