

# NYPD 10-13 CLUB of Charlotte, NC Inc. 5922-5 Weddington Rd Suite 11, Wesley Chapel, NC 28104



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DEACON RICH McCARRON       Tuesday, August 8, 2023 6:00 PM at         732-406-2917       Charlotte-Mecklenburg FOP Lodge #9         dcnrich@gmail.com       1201 Hawthorne Lane         DONALD SANCHEZ       Charlotte, NC 28205         704-654-2694       http://www.charlotte10-13.com/	CHAPLAIN S DEACON RICH McCARRON 732-406-2917 dcnrich@gmail.com DONALD SANCHEZ 704-654-2694	Tuesday, August 8, 2023 6:00 PM at Charlotte-Mecklenburg FOP Lodge #9 1201 Hawthorne Lane <u>Charlotte, NC 28205</u>			

## **PRESIDENTS MESSAGE**

We are in the process of firming up date in October to attend a Mystery Dinner Theater. This will be a joint event with our brothers and sisters to the south, the Ft Mill 10-13 Club. An Evite will be sent shortly with the information. If you plan on attending, please respond to the Evite ASAP.

On Sept. 9, the Ft Mill 10-13 Club will be hosting the "Remember Our Heroes 5K Fundraiser" See pages 15-17.



Club member Pedro Morey is running for re-election as Town of Waxhaw Commissioner.

Pedro is a married father of two girls and has been a resident of Waxhaw for four years. He is a retired police officer and a United States Marine combat veteran having won service and valor awards during his service as both a police officer and United States Marine.

Upon taking residence in Waxhaw, Commissioner Morey immediately became engaged with the community by serving as a Site-Based parent at Kensington Elementary School and later being elected to serve as Vice President of his Home Owners Association. Commissioner Morey then began serving the Town of Waxhaw as a sitting member of the Town of Waxhaw's Board of Adjustment. He also serves the public while being an active member of the charity organization Rotary International and is involved with veterans groups like the Waxhaw American Legion Post and the nearby Veterans of Foreign Wars post.

Commissioner Morey is a strong supporter of local businesses and a strong advocate of Waxhaw, not just locally but at the county and state level. He is in communication with several county and state elected officials advocating and promoting Waxhaw. Commissioner Morey believes in being visible and engaged with the public so that residents concerns are represented and transparency is maintained.

In his spare time Commissioner Morey spends time with his family and can sometimes be seen riding his motorcycle down Waxhaw's winding roads.

Additionally, Susanna Wedra, wife of Club member Errol Wedra is running for a Waxhaw Board of Commissioners position.



Susanna is running for Town Commissioner to foster stable growth, institute stable taxes, and place residents first.

Susanna is originally from New York but moved to beautiful Waxhaw in 2014 to raise her family. She and her husband longed for their children to grow up in an environment that resembled their childhoods, which were centered around family, a strong community, and God. That environment was becoming increasingly difficult to find in New York. When they had the opportunity to build a life elsewhere with their two children, they explored many states and towns, but found that nowhere else compared to Waxhaw with its perfect balance of faith, nature, southern charm, affordability, and convenient access to business and retail. Susanna settled in Waxhaw with her husband Errol, who is an active law enforcement officer with 30 years of service, along with their children, Nicholas and Julianna, who are both seniors, at UNC Charlotte and Cuthbertson High School, respectively.

Susanna earned a Bachelor's Degree in International Business from Hofstra University and worked in the business arena for a few years. During that time, she gained priceless experience in problem solving, communication, leadership, budgeting, and strategic planning. However, she realized that while she enjoyed her job, it was just that, a job, not her passion. Susanna went back to school and earned a Master's Degree in Elementary Education from Long Island University and embarked on the most fulfilling career she could have hoped for as a teacher in the NYC school system and later at a school district on Long Island. Susanna eventually earned an additional Master's Degree in Technology from Long Island University. Although Susanna is licensed to teach here in North Carolina, she now enjoys raising a family while working as a substitute teacher in Union County to fill that void. Further, for the past two years, she has served as a volunteer member on the Union County School Superintendent's Parent Advisory Council which focuses on student centered best practices. Moreover, in 2022, Susanna also was afforded an opportunity to work on the North Carolina Portrait of a Graduate Committee representing Union County, which allowed her to collaborate with other educators throughout the state to identify durable skills that best translate to higher education and employment.

In addition to her business experience, Susanna has worked with children requiring dual language instruction and those with special needs. She believes that as a teacher her role is not only to educate students, but also to partner with a parent in order to help maximize the child's ability to succeed. Further, Susanna believes that her obligation as a teacher, and the school's obligation as an institution, is to the students and their families, not to a bureaucracy. Likewise, Susanna understands that placing people before government is what will preserve Waxhaw for future generations.

Susanna pledges to bring the same level of commitment to the citizens of Waxhaw. She is determined to prevent Waxhaw from becoming the same government leviathan that has consumed so many, once great, American cities, and towns. Susanna is convinced that is accomplished by allowing all citizens a voice and acting on their behalf. Representative government begins and ends with the people. Susanna is merely a vessel for you. Susanna feels she owes this to her neighbors, but principally, to the second, third, and fourth generation Waxhaw residents, who established and preserved that perfect balance of beauty, community, and business, that which attracted Susanna and her family here almost a decade ago, but who have now seen that balance recklessly disrupted and disregarded in more recent years.

Susanna Wedra is proud to run alongside Richard Daunt and Robert Murray, two principled men who believe in individual liberty and limited government, and she humbly asks for your support, vowing to never take it for granted.

## **PRESIDENTS MESSAGE**

**Reminder:** Each year at the National NYCPD 10-13 Organizations Convention, three (3) \$1,000 scholarships are awarded to the child, grandchild, great grandchild or step-child of a paid-up member of the National NYCPD 10-13 Organizations. The recipient of each scholarship is determined by a lottery drawing at the Convention.

In order to be eligible for a scholarship the following criteria must be met:

- The sponsor must be a member in good standing of the National NYCPD 10-13 Organizations, or a member of one of the National NYCPD 10-13 Chapters. (The term "good standing" means the sponsor must be a paid-up member for two consecutive years, or a newly retired member in good standing if retired less than one year.)
- Applicant must be preparing to enter college as a Freshman in the year the scholarship is awarded.
- When application is submitted, applicant must include a "Letter of Acceptance" from the college he or she will be attending.
- Only one scholarship will be awarded per sponsor, per applicant.

To download a copy of the 2023-2024 Scholarship Application Form click this link: <u>https://www.nationalnycpd10-13.org/forms/</u><u>NATIONAL\_SCHOLARSHIP\_APPLICATION-2023-2024.doc</u>

**NOTE:** Applications have to be submitted by the end of this month.

The cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) for September 2023 through August 2024 benefit payments is 2.5%.

As a result, an eligible retired member with a maximum retirement benefit of \$18,000 or more will receive a maximum increase of \$37.50 per month beginning with the September 30, 2023 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 2000 to \$481.50.

New York's permanent, automatic COLA is designed to help offset inflation's adverse effects on the fixed retirement benefits of eligible NYC 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 4.98% from March 2022 to March 2023.

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.

Our guest speaker at this month's membership meeting will be Gary W. Fike, Jr., Au.D. Doctor of Audiology, Board Certified Owner of Palmetto Family Hearing Center located in Ft. Mill and Waxhaw: <u>http://www.palmettofamilyhearing.com/</u>

Fidelis Ad Mortem, stay healthy, stay safe!

Fraternally,

Harvey Katowitz

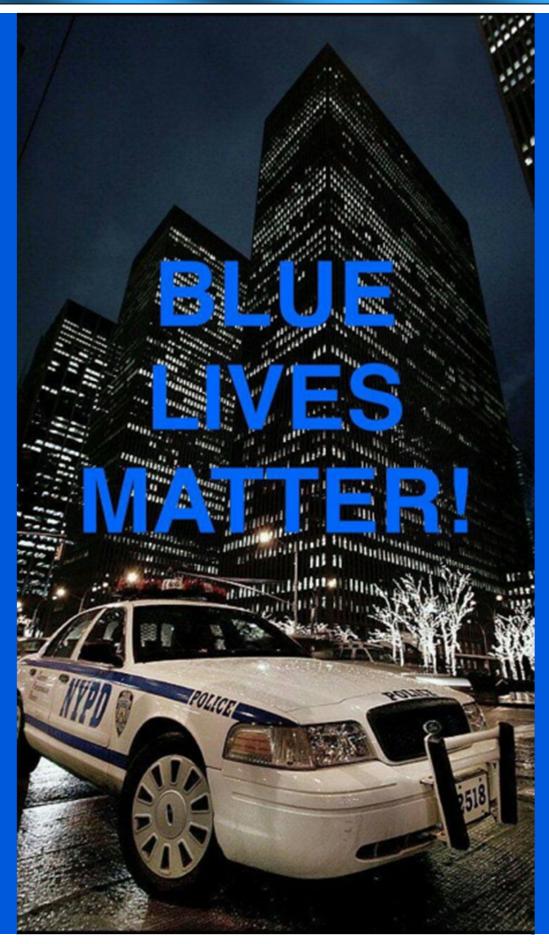
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Retired NYPD Det. Peter Grzymalski, 104 sqd. died as a result of a 9/11 related illness.

Peter Grzymalski, who was a Captain in the Horry County Fire Rescue passed away early Saturday, according to a statement from the department.

"We ask for your consideration, thoughts and prayers for Captain Grzymalski's family, friends, loved ones and extended public safety family during this difficult time," the statement read.

Horry County Fire Rescue added that Grzymalski began his career in Horry County in 2006 after serving with the New York Police Department. He retired in 2017.

The family of retired Captain Pete Grzymalski, who passed away earlier today, is inconsolable as they announce his passing and share the news with the Horry County Fire Rescue community.

After serving in the New York Police Department for many years, Captain Grzymalski moved to Horry County in 2006 and remained there until his retirement in 2017..

Peter's brother Matthew worked for Cantor Fitzgerald on the 105th floor of 1 World Trade Center on Sept. 11, and died in the terrorist attack.

NYPD Ceremonial Unit Detective Peter Grzymalski retired in 2006 from the 104 Detective Squad and his family was presented with our Department Flag in his honor. May he rest in eternal peace. <u>https://twitter.com/NYPDCeremonial/status/1660306871083839488/</u>



## THEY MUST NEVER BE FORGOTTEN

## The following officers died in the line of duty in July 2023



<u>Sgt. Heather Glenn</u> Tell City, IN PD EOW: Monday, July 3, 2023 Cause: Gunfire



Det.Delberth Phipps, Jr. Virgin Islands PD EOW: Tuesday, July 4, 2023 Cause: Gunfire



Deputy Sheriff Tyee Michael Browne Crisp Co., GA Sheriff's Office EOW: Wednesday, July 5, 2023 Cause: Gunfire



P.O. Jessica Ebbighausen Rutland, VT PD EOW: Friday, July 7, 2023 Cause: Vehicular assault



Deputy Sheriff John Durm Marion Co, IN. Sheriff's Office EOW: Monday, July 10, 2023 Cause: Assault



P.O. Jake Wallin Fargo PD, ND EOW: Friday, July 14, 2023 Cause: Gunfire



P.O. Anthony Ferguson Alamogordo, NM PD, EOW: Sunday, July 16, 2023 Cause: Gunfire

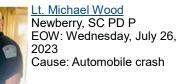
Sgt. Edwin Maldonado-García

Puerto Rico PD, PR



EOW: Wednesday, July 19, 2023 Cause: Struck by vehicle Deputy Sheriff David Bosecker

Eastland Co., TX Sheriff's Office EOW: Friday, July 21, 2023 Cause: Gunfire





Deputy Sheriff Alejandro Martinez Los Angeles Co., CA Sheriff's

Dept. EOW: Friday, July 28, 2023 Cause: Vehicular assault



Sgt. William Cherry

Macon Co., TN Sheriff's Office EOW: Saturday, July 29, 2023 Cause: Automobile crash

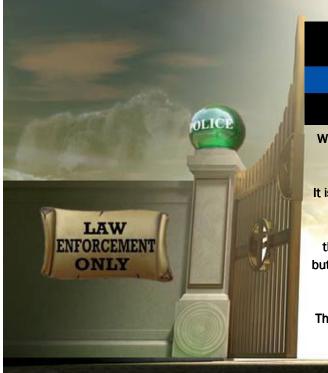


Sgt. Pedro Torres-Santos Trujillo Alto, PR Municipal PD EOW: Monday, July 31, 2023 Cause: Gunfire



Deputy Marshal Barry Giglio Ville Platte, LA Marshal's Office EOW: Monday, July 31, 2023 Cause: Gunfire







We must never forget Our fallen heroes

It is not the wealth and riches we have accumulated that make us great, but what we have given of ourselves

These were truly great people



## IN MEMORY OF OUR CLUB MEMBERS WHO HAVE PASSED AWAY

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JOHN APT	04/08/2014	RAYMOND HICKEY	12/18/2021
<b>BOB ANDRETA-SECRETARY</b>	10/19/2011	JAMES HOUSTON-TRUSTEE	01/27/2015
KAREN BERNARD	07/24/2021	**PAUL JOHNSON	07/22/2018
LOUIS BIAGETTI	01/21/2022	ALBERT KENNEDY	09/11/2013
GREGORY BROWN	05/29/2015	JOHN KROHN	06/15/2023
DARCY CALLAHAN	01/18/2023	JAMES LAROSSA	04/10/2012
RICHARD CLARK	04/10/2017	FREDERICK "RAY LANE"	04/18/2021
ELLIOTT CUFF	03/14/2021	JAMES "ANDY" MARTIN	06/15/2011
WES DAILY	09/27/2019	**EDWARD MCGREAL	10/13/2017
DENNIS D'ALESSIO	04/06/2020	JOSEPH MONICO	03/18/2018
PUL EARLS	05/29/2019	EDWARD NELL	10/29/2022
ROBERT EILENBERG	10/27/2016	GEORGE PETERSON	11/19/2019
JOHN EVRARD	11/22/2021	WILLIAM ROLLAND	11/10/2015
TOM FLANNAGAN	03/06/2008	TIMOTHY RUSS	12/23/2015
**ROBERT "BUTCH" FOLEY	02/07/2021	**AL SHEPPARD	05/13/2019
**THOMAS GALLO	10/31/2020	WADE SIMUEL	01/22/2022
ROBERT GARRETT	09/04/2020	JOHN STADELMAN	05/28/2011
ED GILMURRAY	06/19/2018	JOHN VIGILANTE	07/03/2022
LAWRENCE GOFFREDO	02/14/2016	LARRY WALKER	05/11/23
MICHAEL GOULD	01/03/2022	**JAMES WARD	01/19/2022
ROBERT HANSEN-PAST V.P.	10/15/2017	**THOMAS WEIL	07/09/2019
**EDWARD HENDRICKSON	01/29/2022	ED WEIR	02/22/2019
JOHN HENNESSY	01/23/2019	THOMAS WOODS	10/05/2014
ROLAND "SKIP" HEPBURN	12/03/2018	WALTER "BUDDY" WUNDERLICH	04/17/2019

**\*\* Died of a 9/11 related illness** 





### Membership Meeting Minutes July 11, 2023

Call to order by the President at 7:15pm with the pledge of allegiance. There were 60 members, 01 honorary member, 01 new members and 10 guests present.

This was followed by the invocation, reading of the names and circumstances of the death of the 10 law enforcement officers who died in the line of duty since last month's meeting and a moment of silence.

### **Roll Call of Officers**

President:	Harvey Katowitz
Vice President:	Bernard Roe
Rec. Secretary:	Scott Hickey
Corres. Sec:	Bob Fee - Excused
Treasurer:	Chris Russo
Trustee:	Dennis Cirillo
Trustee:	Kevin Gribbon
Trustee:	Frank Irrizary
Trustee:	Ian McGrouther - Excused
Trustee:	John Randazzo
1st Sgt. at Arms:	Rich Doyle
2nd Sgt. at Arms:	Valerie Hargrove
Chaplain:	Donald Sanchez – Excused
Chaplain:	Deacon Rich McCarron - Excused

Review of June minutes available in July newsletter. A motion to waive the reading of the minutes was made by Bernard Roe, seconded by Rich Doyle, and unanimously passed.

### Sickness & Distress:

- June 14, Sue McCarron, wife of club chaplain Deacon Rich McCarron passed away.
- June 15, club member John Krohn passed away.
- Kevin Gasser is recovering from a brain abscess.

### Guest Speaker(s): Scholarship recipients

 Mallory DiPiazza, winner of the Bob Andretta Memorial Scholarship and Andrew Pries, winner of the 9/11 Memorial Scholarship read their essays on what it means to be an American

### **Communications and Correspondence:**

- On July 7, A trial court judge temporarily blocked Mayor Adams from switching retired city workers to Aetna Medicare Ad vantage.
- As a result of the implementation of the PBA contract agreement for the 2017-2025 period, the NYPD Payroll has confirmed that retroactive payments for the period of 2017-2023 owed to retirees and other separated members will be issued via paper check on Friday, July 21 and mailed out the following week.

**Retroactive payments will be mailed to the last address on file with the NYPD**, which may be different than the address on file with the Police Pension Fund. If you need to change your address with the NYPD, send a notarized letter to: **Payroll & Benefits Division, 10th Floor, 1 Police Plaza, New York, NY** 10038.

 The World Trade Center (WTC) Health Program is pleased to announce that the Nationwide Provider Network (NPN)– administered by Managed Care Advisors (MCA)-Sedgwick–is in the process of expanding their network of Program providers. The expanded NPN network will significantly increase the number of clinicians and care providers available through the NPN to over 1 million, including some major hospital systems.

### Report of officers

President:

- National Raffle All tickets have been sold.
- Donations for Kevin Gasser donations of \$950 have been received to date.
- 911 Memorial ceremony meeting will be on MONDAY SEPT. 11<sup>th</sup>, 6pm.

Vice President: Noting to report.

Treasurer: A motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made, seconded and unanimously passed.

Recording Secretary: Nothing to report.

Corresponding Secretary: Excused

### Trustees:

- Dennis Cirillo: Nothing to report.
- Kevin Gribbon: Nothing to report.
- Frank Irrizary: Nothing to report.
- Ian McGrouther: Nothing to report.
- John Randazzo: Nothing to report.

### Sgt. At Arms:

- Rich Doyle: Nothing to report.
- Valerie Hargrove: Nothing to report.

### **Committee Reports**

- Membership: 477
- Socials: We will be scheduling a date in the fall for the Mystery Dinner Theater event.

### Old Business: Nothing to report.

### New Business: None

### Good of the Club

- New Members: Ret. NYCDOC Officer Sabrina Hurdle-Arana. A motion to accept her as a member was made, seconded and unanimously passed.
- The proverbial hat was passed for donations for Kevin Gasser and an additional \$521 was collected.
- 50/50 was won by Frank DeMasi and Joe Kozlowski.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made, seconded, and passed.

### Next month's Meeting Tuesday August 8, 2023

FIDELIS AD MORTEM





## JULY MEMBERSHIP MEETING PHOTOS

Link to July membership meeting photos: <u>https://harveykatowitz.smugmug.com/July-2023-Membership-Meeting/i-bMPHmdT</u>



L-R Club Pres. Harvey Katowitz - Andrew Pries



Dan DiPiazza - Mallory DiPiazza - Harvey Katowitz



## **Health and Welfare**



## Statement from the Program on the Upcoming Nationwide Provider Network Expansion

June 30, 2023

The World Trade Center (WTC) Health Program is pleased to announce that the Nationwide Provider Network (NPN)–administered by Managed Care Advisors (MCA)-Sedgwick–is in the process of expanding their network of Program providers.

The expanded NPN network will:

- significantly increase the number of clinicians and care providers available through the NPN to over 1 million, including some major hospital systems.
- include more behavioral health providers,
- keep all current providers in network,
- be available to all NPN members, and
- be fully rolled out in August 2023.

This expansion is made possible through new provider network agreements. The NPN will now have access to additional networks such as First Health. These new networks in combination with the Prime Health Services network means a substantially expanded network of providers available to the NPN.

We understand that some NPN members have experienced issues since the August 2022 NPN transition. This network expansion is one of several steps being taken to improve service and access to care in the NPN. The WTC Health Program and MCA-Sedgwick remain committed to meeting and exceeding the needs of all NPN members.

Please note: This change does not affect your primary health insurance, such as employer-based insurance, Medicare, or Medicaid.

#### What's next

Currently MCA-Sedgwick is completing important work to implement the new network (such as claims processing and provider notification). They are also proactively reaching out to members who have critical care needs and do not currently have in-network providers near them.

More information, including how members can access providers in the expanded network, will be shared by email and mail with all NPN members closer to the end of the implementation phase in August of 2023. Responders and Certified-Eligible Survivors will also receive an updated NPN Member ID card at that time.

#### Important information

We need your help to ensure as quick and efficient an implementation process as possible. Please:

- Wait to call MCA-Sedgwick about the expansion or changing providers until the implementation is complete in August of 2023 if you already have a provider or don't need an appointment. This will help keep call wait times short.
- Do not use any online provider lookup tools from First Health, Prime, or any other network. These will not accurately show available NPN providers. MCA-Sedgwick is working to update the provider search tool in the NPN Member Portal with the expanded network data in the coming months.
- Do not contact First Health or Prime directly. They are not involved with the administration of NPN benefits or services and cannot
  answer NPN questions. All NPN-related matters should be directed to the <u>MCA-Sedgwick call center</u>.

More information is available on the MCA-Sedgwick NPN Network Expansion page.

The World Trade Center Health Program is administered by the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, part of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

First Health Group Corporation is a wholly owned, independently operated subsidiary of Aetna Inc., a CVS Health company.

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## MEMBERSHIP



## **2023 Monthly Meeting Dates**

August 8 October 10 September 11 November 14

December 12



Thankfully, nothing to report.



MEMBERSHIP

### SICK DESK UPDATE

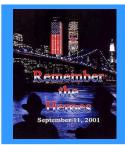
We presently have 478 members, 348 from the NYPD and the remainder from 57 other law enforcement agencies.

## Welcome To The Club

The following member joined our club in July

Ret. NYCDOC Officer Sabrina Hurdle-Arana





9/11 Memorial Ceremony Meeting

NOTE

Monday

September 11, 6 PM





## **AUGUST**

Happy Birthday!

Carol Martin	8/1
Johnny Grasso	8/2
Pat Fiorito	8/3
Steven Washington	8/3
Edward Nell	8/3
Steve Lemke	8/4
George Young	8/8
Peter Herrera	8/9
John Hennessy RIP 1/23/19	8/10
Martin Sanabria	8/10
John Van De Brook	8/10
Robert Schruhl	8/11
Walter Schmidt	8/12
Michael Conover	8/14
Butch Foley RIP 2/17/21	8/14
John Vigilante RIP 7/3/22	8/14
Craig Zwerling	8/14
Frank Favilla	8/16
Anthony Innella	8/16
Joseph Monteleone	8/16
Mark Jones	8/17
Jim Brannick	8/18
Robert Fleckenstein	8/19
Deryck White Robert Jones	8/19 8/19
Wayne Moran	8/20
Frank Delrossi	8/21
	8/21
Billy Shepherd	
Wes Mecimore	8/22
Kayvan Hazrati Skiddie Hurd	8/25 8/25
Cynthia Wilson	8/25 8/26
Harvey Klipper	8/27
Yvette Maynard	8/27
Kevin Gasser	8/30



## **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.











Dennis Cirillo

Kevin Gribbon

Frank Irizarry

Ian McGrouther

John Randazzo

Geographical Area	Trustee	Tel. ( H)	Tel. (C)	Email Address
Catawba County	Dennis Cirillo	704 256-4038	516-318-1707	dennisjcirillo@gmail.com
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Gaston County	Dennis Cirillo	704 256-4038	516-318-1707	dennisjcirillo@gmail.com
Iredell County	Frank Irizarry	917-494-1752	917-494-1752	frankirizarry10@gmail.com
Lincoln County	Dennis Cirillo	704 256-4038	516-318-1707	dennisjcirillo@gmail.com
Mecklenburg County	John Randazzo	704-243-7523	704-770-1461	eightpointid@carolina.rr.com
Rowan County	Dennis Cirillo	704 256-4038	516-318-1707	dennisjcirillo@gmail.com
Union County	lan McGrouther	917-952-7427	917-952-7427	lanLizMc@hotmail.com
All other areas	Kevin Gribbon	803-548-4752	803 493-3024	kgribbo@outlook.com



## NOSTALGIA

1940s NYC | Street photos of every building in New York City in 1939/1940 https://1940s.nyc/map#13.69/40.7093/-73.99397

This is specifically for all those who were born and raised in New York City.

Check out your old neighborhood – the house(s) you lived in – or the school(s) you attended. Just locate the street and click on the very tiny dot signifying the structure.



41 Precinct





North side of the 46 Precinct



50 Precinct

44 Precinct



48 Pct.



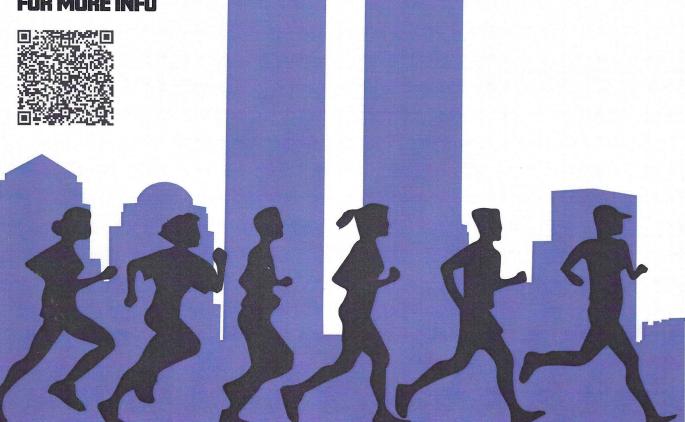
52 Precinct

FORT MILL 10-13 REFERENCE SK

September 9th, 2023 9am-1pm Fort Mill High School 225 Munn Rd E Fort Mill SC 29715

## SCAN THIS OR CODE FOR MORE INFO

Proceeds will be donated to various charities supporting our heroes' families, and a one-time scholarship to one FMHS student.





## **Remember the Heroes 5K Fundraiser**

Dear Sponsor,

The 9/11 tragedy affected many first responders of New York. New York City was inundated with many volunteers from all over to support efforts at Ground Zero. We are still losing so many to illnesses, this year we are coordinating to organize a

*"Remember Our Heroes 5K"* fundraiser to raise money for our mission; in addition donate to various charities and a one-time \$500.00 scholarship to a 2024 Fort Mill High School student. This run/walk will be in memoriam of 9/11 heroes and to help many still battling for victory against cancer.

The Fort Mill 10-13 Club, in the past year made many donations to local first responders battling cancer and to families of those who lost their battles; we also have provided assistance and resources to others in need when they faced hard times, but, we still have so much more to accomplish.

The Fort Mill 10-13 club consists of retired Law Enforcement Officers from NY and many areas around the United States. Our chapter was founded in 2019 and our mission was expanded in 2021 to become a non-profit to help First Responders and their families in time of need.

This year we are coordinating a:

## "Remember Our Heroes 5K"

We are kindly asking for your support to sponsor **"Remember Our Heroes - 5K"** fundraiser so we may continue our efforts to help others struggling to conquer cancer or any illness that has affected their life and their families. We are asking if your organization would consider donating or sponsoring to help us achieve our mission.

We greatly appreciate your donation/sponsorship, if you wish to contribute, see the attached form. Please join us! With your donation, we are one-step closer to helping others!

Sincerely, Fort Mill 10-13 Club and Members



## **Remember the Heroes 5K**

September 9, 2023

We are kindly asking for your support

\_\_\_Platinum \$500.00 Yard Sign (48"x 48") Rectangle

Gold \$250	Yard Sign (36" x 36")Rectangle
Silver \$125	Yard Sign (24"x24")Rectangle
Bronze \$75	In Memory Yard Sign (name needed)(17x17) Round (Print Block Letters)
	In Memory of

Contact Name:\_\_\_\_\_

Company Name:	
Company Address:	

Contact Number:	
Email Address:	

Please make checks payable to <u>Fort Mill 10-13 Club</u> <u>c/o Bernadette Guardino-Treasurer</u> <u>574 Quicksilver Trail</u> <u>Fort Mill, SC 29708</u>

# **50 YEAR REUNION** FOR ALL 1973 CLASSES

## **SEPTEMBER 28, 2023**

MARINA DEL REY 1 MARINA DRIVE BRONX, NEW YORK

5 PM TO 9 PM

## OPEN BAR FULL BUFFET SERVICE \$100 pp

## **COMMITTEE**

DALE RIEDEL dbr3126@AOL.com ANNEMARIE KING-BURKE LBI21@aol.com GINO IOCCO gino434@optonline.net CONNIE MONTANARO skiconisail@aol.com ANNEMARIE PASTORE abpastore@optonline.net ANNETTE SPELLEN als1025@yahoo.com

PLEASE CONTACT ANY OF THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS AT THE EMAILS LISTED SUBJECT "50 YEAR REUNION"

## FACEBOOK - NYPD 1973 REUNION

SEND CHECKS PAYABLE TO NYPD 1973 REUNION PO BOX 691 POINT LOOKOUT, NY 11569

## 9/11

## TELL CONGRESS: **"REMEMBER 9/11" SHOULD BE** MORE THAN A BUMPERSTICKER

## CITIZENS FOR THE EXTENSION OF THE JAMES ZADROGA ACT

Statement on the passage by the Senate of the Gillibrand/Braun Amendment that will ensure that all 911 responders to the Pentagon and Shanksville, including former active-duty soldiers and sailors, can enroll in the WTC Health Program and will help to close the impending funding shortfall threatening the program

For Immediate Release

Posted: July 27, 2023

Contact:

Benjamin Chevat Ben.Chevat@renew911health.org

Today's amendment to the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA), which passed the Senate by an overwhelming <u>vote of 94 to 4</u>, was sponsored by Senator Kirsten Gillibrand (D-NY) and Senator Mike Braun (R-IN), along with Senator Charles Schumer(D-NY) and will:

- Ensure that all 9/11 responders to the Pentagon and Shanksville who were active-duty DOD military or civilians, along with other Federal employees, will be able to join the program. Currently some responders to the Pentagon and Shanksville sites are pre vented from joining.
- Help to close the impending funding shortfall facing the World Trade Center Health Program by providing an additional \$444 mil lion dollars to the program over the next ten years.

This amendment was fully paid for under legislative rules.

Benjamin Chevat, Executive Director of Citizens for the Extension of the James Zadroga Act stated, "We are grateful for the continuing efforts of Senators Kirsten Gillibrand (D-NY) and Majority Leader Charles Schumer (D-NY), who were joined in this bipartisan effort by Indianna Senator Mike Braun (R-IN) and we want to thank them for their work on behalf of 9/11 injured and ill responders who now will be able to be served by the program and for the responders and survivors in the program already."

While there is still more work that is needed too close the impending budget deficit facing the World Trade Center Health Program, today's action, along with the effort last December to add a billion dollars to the program, are important steps forward and will push back the any cuts in services to the over 124,000 responders and survivors in the program for several years.

With the passage of the National Defense Authorization Act by the Senate with such overwhelming vote, we fully expect that this provision will remain in the final version that will be sent to the President and become law after the House and Senate versions are reconciled.

We also want to also recognize the efforts by Congressional members Rep. Andrew Garbarino, (R-NY), Rep. Jerrold Nadler (D-NY), Rep. Anthony D 'Esposito (R-NY) and Rep. Dan Goldman (D-NY) who attempted to secure a similar amendment to the National Defense Authorization Act in the House of Representatives.

Today's near unanimous action by the Senate shows the continuing support for injured and ill 9/11 responders and survivors from a growing number of bipartisan Members of Congress.

### North Carolina Concealed Handguns Reciprocity

Since 1995, North Carolina has allowed qualifying residents of the state to obtain a permit to carry a concealed handgun from the sheriff of the applicant's home county. The permit is valid for five years unless it is revoked.Please see <u>North</u> <u>Carolina Firearms Laws</u> for a list of "Do's and Don'ts" for carrying a concealed handgun in North Carolina. This information is designed as a reference guide only and should not be relied upon as legal advice.

### **Other States' Permits Honored Here**

Effective December 1, 2011, North Carolina automatically recognizes concealed carry permits issued in any other state. Out-of-state permit holders should familiarize themselves with North Carolina's laws.

### For example, in North Carolina, concealed handguns may not be carried:

- In law enforcement or correctional facilities such as a prison.
- In any space occupied by state or federal employees, including state and federal courthouses.
- In schools or on school grounds.\*
- In areas of assemblies, parades, funerals or demonstrations.\*\*
- In any place where alcoholic beverages are sold and consumed (such as some restaurants) the premises are posted as prohibited.
- In any area where concealed handguns are prohibited by federal law.
- In any place of business that has posted a sign banning concealed weapons on its premises.
- By any person while consuming alcohol or while under the influence of alcohol or any controlled substances (unless obtained legally and taken as directed by a physician).

\*Effective October 1, 2013, unless prohibited by a private school, a concealed handgun permittee may store a handgun in the person's locked vehicle or in a locked container securely fixed to the person's vehicle while on campus. It may NOT be carried on the person.

\*\*Effective October 1, 2013, unless posted as being prohibited, a concealed handgun permittee may possess a concealed handgun while at a parade or funeral. For more information on these exceptions see House Bill 937, Session Law 2013-369, North Carolina Firearms Laws, <u>https://ncdoj.gov/download/98/concealed-carry-handgun/16346/firearms-</u> <u>publication-november-2018</u> and our chart: <u>https://ncdoj.gov/download/16/general-information/15406/concealed-carrychart-october-2013 showing where concealed handguns cannot be carried in North Carolina.</u>

### To possess a concealed handgun in North Carolina, you must:

- Carry your permit and a valid form of identification with you at all times.
- Disclose the fact that you have a valid concealed handgun permit when you are approached or addressed by any law enforcement officer in North Carolina.
- Inform the officer that you are in possession of a concealed handgun.

Present both the permit and valid identification at the request of an officer NOTE: You should not attempt to display either your weapon or your permit unless directed to by an officer.

#### **Permits Honored in Other States**

Permit holders should know that while they can legally carry a concealed handgun while visiting these states, they're subject to the laws of the state they are visiting and are responsible for learning about those laws.

#### States with North Carolina Agreements

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Alabama Alaska Arizona Arkansas Colorado Delaware Florida Georgia Idaho Indiana Iowa	Kentucky Louisiana Michigan Mississippi Missouri Montana Nebraska New Hampshire New Mexico North Dakota Ohio	Pennsylvania South Carolina South Dakota Tennessee Texas Utah Virginia Washington West Virginia Wisconsin Wyoming
	•••••	Wyoming
Kansas	Oklahoma	

Law enforcement can contact our law enforcement liaison attorneys at the Dept. of Justice at (919) 716-6500 or by fax at (919) 716-6760.

## NYPD NEWS

## Member Self Service - webCOPS

We're excited to announce a new service for our members: WEBCOPS. This is a secure website to view your pension account and connect with us online.

Once you register on webCOPS, you'll be able to:

- Verify contact information
- · Download and submit certain request forms
- Check your current account balance and beneficiary information (active MOS only)
- Send and receive secure messages

You can register on webCOPS right now by visiting <u>https://www.webcops.org/ppfmss</u>. See the Registration Instructions found here: (How to <u>Create a webCOPS account</u>)pdf

This is just the first version of webCOPS. In the future, we'll add more features so that you'll be able to do things like change beneficiary information and get pension estimates using an automated benefit estimate calculator. The Police Pension Fund will post new functionality (on the website and Facebook) as it becomes available. For now, please enjoy this early version.

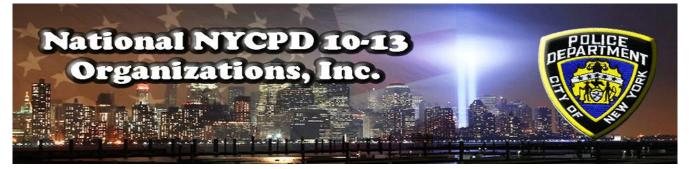
If you need help or have questions, please contact our Call Center at (646) 905-5596

### **Police Pension Fund - Documents & Requests Center**

The Documents and Requests center allows you to view documents and submit requests to the Fund. Available requests are available for download. Once downloaded and completed, you may upload and submit the request. Once the request has been uploaded, it will appear on the right-hand side of the screen. Once a request has been completed and processed, you will receive an email notification. Please allow 48 hours for changes to appear in the system.

### You may download and upload or mail any request available below.

Dept.	Name of Request
Safeguards	Financial Disclosure Questionnaire and Instructions (2018)
Membership Services	Chapter 431 Tier 3 Cadet Buyback
Safeguards	Financial Disclosure Questionnaire and Instructions (2019)
Pension Payroll	Federal Income Tax Withholding Form (W4-P)
Safeguards	Employment Certification (RSSL 212)
Membership Services	Beneficiary Designation
Membership Services	Chapter 646 Service Credit Purchase - Prior NYC or NYS Service
Membership Services	Chapter 594 Child Care Buyback
Pension Payroll	Change of Contact Information
Loan Services	Change of Loan Repayment Amount (Tier 2)
Legal	Change of Social Condition
Membership Services	Chapter 552 Service Credit Purchase - Prior NYC or NYS Service
Pension Payroll	MCU Deduction Request
Membership Services	Member Contributions while on Military Leave
Membership Services	Minor Beneficiary Custodian Designation
Legal	Member Records / File Request
Pension Payroll	Pension Award Letter Request
Loan Services	Pension Loan Application (Tier 2)
Membership Services	Pension Statement OnDemand Request
Legal	Pension Valuation in Matrimonial Action Request
Membership Services	RSSL 1000 - Military Service Credit Purchase
Membership Services	Shortage Status Request (Tier 2)
Pension Payroll	Start or Change Direct Deposit (EFT) Request
Membership Services	Start or Stop 50% Additional Contributions (Tier 2)
Membership Services	Start or Stop ITHP Waiver (Tier 2)
Pension Payroll	Stop Direct Deposit (EFT) Request
Membership Services	Supplemental Beneficiary Designation
Legal	Third Party Authorization
Calendar Preparation	WTC Notice of Participation



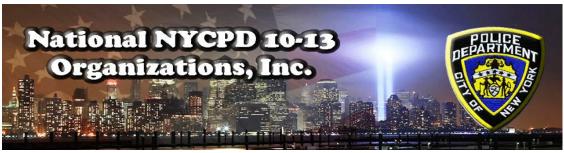
The following 10-13 associations are chapters of the National NYCPD 10-13:

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## NATIONAL NYCPD 10-13 ORG.



## NATIONAL NYCPD 10-13 ORGANIZATION NYPD ID CARD RENEWAL – September 27, 2022

## For those members that reside locally, the ID card Section (646-610-5150) is now on 2<sup>nd</sup> 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. I received the below information from their ID Card Renewal Unit.

## Renewal of Transit ID card that is expired or nearing expiration.

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For the retirees that live out of state, they can email a copy of their driver's license and ID card and in the body of the email they can put their name, address and a phone number where they can be reached. We run a background check to make sure no one is wanted (you'd be surprised).

Also, they need to attach a digital photo of themselves from the waist up in front of a neutral colored wall (please no hats or sunglasses).

We need a digital photo, NOT a photo of a photo, to put on a new ID card that we mail certified.

Please tell your members they can call the Personnel Unit at 1-718-610-4660 and we will be more than happy to walk them thru the process.

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 out-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. 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 \$8.95 made out to National NYCPD 10-13 Org. (to cover the cost of priority mail return of your new card).

Address package to: Larry Kelly 392 Colon Avenue Staten Island, NY 10308

You can contact him at Immkj392@verizon.net/(347-582-6885

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

## NATIONAL NYCPD 10-13 ORG.

PERSONNEL ORDERS DIVISION Retiree/Non-Member Identification Card Worksheet PB Revised 12/8/2020 PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY			
Please Indicate: New Applicant	Lost ID Card Renewal, Card #		
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Social Security Number:	Gender:		
Home Address:	Apt		
City:	State: Zip Code:		
RETIREE INFORMATION ONLY			
Rank:   Retirement Date:/			
Tax #	Shield #		

I certify that the information I provided on this worksheet and on any supporting documentation is true and complete. If I am applying for a retiree identification card, I further certify that since my retirement date, I have not been convicted of a crime.

	Signature	Date		
FOR OFFICE USE ONLY				
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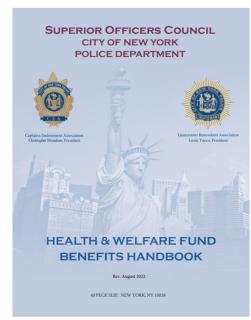
### AUTHORIZED INDIVIDUAL RECEIVING IDENTIFICATION CARD

Name:

Signature:



Welcome to the Superior Officers Council website for the City of New York Police Department. Our website is exclusively for the members of the NYPD Captains Endowment Association and the NYPD Lieutenants Benevolent Association. Over the last decade, substantial changes have taken place to our Health and Welfare Fund. The Trustees of the Superior Officers Council Health and Welfare Fund hope this website will assist you and your family in navigating the benefits available to you. We urge you to review the website's content carefully so you will become familiar with your benefits, rights, and obligations related to the Fund. <u>NYPD Superior Officers Council – City of New York Police Department (nypdsoc.org)</u>



Dear Member: The Trustees of the Superior Officers Council Health and Welfare Fund are pleased to provide you with this benefit handbook. Over the last decade substantial changes have taken place to our Health and Welfare Fund. We hope this handbook will assist you and your family navigate the benefits available to you. We urge you to read this handbook carefully so you will become familiar with not only your benefits, but your rights and obligations related to the Fund. The Fund was established by a Trust Agreement dated July 1, 1971.

That Agreement was created as a result of collective bargaining between the Superior Officers Council and the City of New York, whereby it was agreed the City would provide monetary funds for the purpose of furnishing health and welfare benefits to our active and retired members and their eligible dependents. Since that time, the Fund has grown considerably, providing a variety of benefits to more than 2,700 active member and their dependents, and more than 4,700 retired members and their dependents. Presently, the total number of participants entitled to benefits through the Fund is in excess of 20,000 lives. The main benefits provided by the Health and Welfare Fund includes prescription, optical and dental benefits. The benefits are financed from the Funds assets, which are accumulated under the provisions of the Trust Agreement for that purpose, to provide benefits to our eligible participants and defray reasonable administrative expenses. You are eligible for benefits if you are employed by or retired from the Police Department of the City of New York in any of the following classifications: Lieutenant, Captain, Surgeon or Captains assigned to higher rank up to and including Deputy Chiefs. The Trustees of the SOC in their capacity also act as Guardians of the Annuity Fund, currently administered by Principal Financial Group ("The Principal"). We hope you will take the time to read this handbook.

Soc-benefit-book-revised-August 2022: <u>http://nypdcea.org/wp-content/uploads/securepdfs/2022/08/soc-benefit-book-revised-220725.pdf</u>

## **OPTUMRX**

### Q: What will I need to do for mail order prescriptions?

A: In order to be eligible to enroll in OptumRx Mail Order Pharmacy, you must fill your prescription two times at the retail level. Once you have enrolled in OptumRx Mail Order Pharmacy, you will need a new prescription from your physician for up to a 90-day supply and mail it, along with the completed enrollment forms and correct copayment, to the mail order facility.

### Q: How long will it take for my medication to reach me through mail order?

A: Prescriptions filled through the mail order facility should be received 10-14 days from the date the prescriptions are mailed.

### Q: How do I obtain a prior authorization?

A: The OptumRx Prior Authorization Program can be initiated by either the pharmacist or the member contacting OptumRx Customer Service Center. OptumRx representatives will work with your doctor's office and pharmacy to obtain the information required.

### Q: What if the drug that I need requires prior authorization and I cannot wait for the prior authorization to be reviewed?

A: Ask your physician if a drug sample is available or your pharmacy may provide you with a short-term supply. You will be responsible for the full copayment at this time. If the prior authorization is approved, your pharmacist can dispense the remainder of the prescription.

### Q: What if my prior authorization is denied?

A: The Superior Officers Council Prescription Plan design includes medications that effectively treat most medical conditions. Most likely, there is an alternative product that may be prescribed by your doctor that will not require prior authorization. If no other options are available and the prescribed treatment is medically necessary, you have the option of appealing the denial.



The NYPD Superior Officers Council provides summaries of the benefits available to members of the Captains Endowment Association and the NYPD Lieutenants Benevolent Association and their families. Listed below is the contact information for the various providers that the Superior Officers Council contracts with to provide our members with a complete suite of health care products.



## VISIONWORKS/DAVIS VISION

www.visionworks.com

For the Davis Vision site, enter Client Control Number **2942**, enter the last four digits of the member's Social Security 32 number and the first five characters of the member's last name as the password. If the member's last name is less than five characters, use the full last name only as the password. Phone: (800) 999-5431



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## EMPIRE BLUECROSS BLUESHIELD | Dental

www.ebcbs.com Active Group: 280500 I Retired Group: 285052 Phone: (800) 722-8879 Dentall:

Phone: (800) 342-5209 Group Number: 21099



HEALTHPLEX www.healthplex.com Claims Department: PO Box 650629 Dallas, TX 75265-0629 Email: info@healthplex.com

Customer Service: Phone: (800) 468-0600 | Fax (516) 794-3186 Corporate Offices: Phone: (516) 542-2200 | (800) 468-0608



STARKEY TECHNOLOGIES PROGRAM I Hearing Aid Partnership <u>www.starthearing.com/partners/SOC</u> Number: (888) 660-1854



HUMANA | Comp Benefits www.Humana.com Group: 21099 Exclusive to Florida Residents Phone: (800) 342-5209



## OPTUMRx

www.optumrx.com Specialty Pharmacy: (866) 218-5445 Website Tech Support: (800) 788-4863 TTY: 711 **Claims Department:** 2300 Main Street

Irvine, CA 92150-9075 Physician Contacts: Prior Authorizations: 1-800-711-4555. Option 2 Customer Service: (800) 356-3477

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PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL GROUP www.Principal.com Retirement Plan Participants: (800) 547-7754 Principal Life Insurance Company Des Moines, IA 50306-9394



## Express Scripts I PICA Prescription Program

General: (800) 660-4283 Customer Service: (800) 467-2006 Refill Prescriptions: (800) 233-7139 Prior Authorization: (866) 374-5549 I Fax: (866) 374-5547 Mailing Address for PICA Prescriptions: Express Scripts Home Delivery PO Box 66568 St. Louis, MO 63166-6568 Accredo Customer Service: (844) 404-7849

### Freedom Fertility Pharmacy:

www.freedomfertility.com Number: 800-660-4283



#### RETIRED LIEUTENANTS ASSOCIATION NYPD

### For cops, the CCRB is the anti-Clean Slate BY BERNARD WHALEN

It is no secret that the right and left have opposing political views.

But in this city, the left is firmly in charge and they have made it clear that their agenda has little use for law enforcement. The New York City Council, a progressive legislative body supports the Clean Slate bill. The intent of the new law is to allow convicted felons the opportunity to have their criminal records sealed provided they stay clean for a specific period of time after their release.

Clean Slate would conceal misdeeds from potential employers. While police will still have access to a perpetrator's criminal history, private investigators who conduct background checks on prospective employees will not.

Proponents of the legislation believe the law will lift convicted criminals out of poverty by making it easier for them to find employment. They also believe it will help employers fill job openings that would otherwise go begging. This may or not be true, but like most progressive ideas, it sounds good on paper. Few would argue that offenders who have paid their debt to society don't deserve a second chance. However, given their high recidivist rate, it is unlikely that majority of convicted criminals will be able to avail themselves to the provisions of the proposed law.

Nevertheless, there will be a lot of self-congratulatory messaging coming from our progressive lawmakers when the bill is signed. Then, a lot of money will be spent creating diversion programs to help the criminals keep on the straight and narrow. In the end, the results will be negligible and proposals will soon be introduced to shorten the time period necessary to have the proverbial slate wiped clean.

Meanwhile, the same City Council recently passed a law to give the public unfettered access to a New York City police officer's CCRB record. CCRB stands for the Civilian Complaint Review Board, a civilian agency created to monitor the actions of police officers, who are alleged to have used unnecessary force, abused their authority, are discourteous or used offensive language. Unlike the criminal courts, where extenuating circumstances factor into a judge's decision, the behavior of the civilian that gives rise to the officer's actions are never taken into consideration when CCRB decides a case.

For example: An officer confronts a homeless male armed with a machete threatening to kill pedestrians in Times Square. Not so unusual in New York. The situation may require the officer to fire his weapon to prevent the suspect from fatally injuring a bystander. Instead, the officer uses forceful, but offensive language to get the male to drop the machete. The perpetrator wisely decides to live another day and complies with the order. Thankfully, no shots were fired and no one is injured.

It should be case closed, but it is not. While awaiting arraignment, a jailhouse lawyer tells the perpetrator that he can get the arresting officer in trouble for cursing at him during the encounter or better yet, he can claim the officer targeted him based on race, color, religion, sexual orientation or simply because he is homeless. That mere allegation adds a charge of racial profiling and biased policing to the complaint against the officer.

CCRB investigators interview the perpetrator while he is still in jail and determine he is in fact homeless. The officer denies that his actions were biased, but the CCRB's board votes to substantiate the complaint and refers the matter to the police commissioner for final adjudication. The decision by CCRB is now a part of the officer's permanent record.

Too many of these complaints will prevent the officer from being promoted and will even follow the officer into retirement.

Criminals and police agitators have made a cottage industry out of filing frivolous civilian complaints against police officers. All CCRB complaints filed against police officers remain on their public record, regardless of the outcome or circumstances that brought them about. CCRB encourages the public and prospective employers to access their online database to view the number of complaints filed against a particular officer even after he or she has retired, believing that employers will shy away from hiring former police officers who have a high number of CCRB complaints or allegations of racial profiling in their job history.

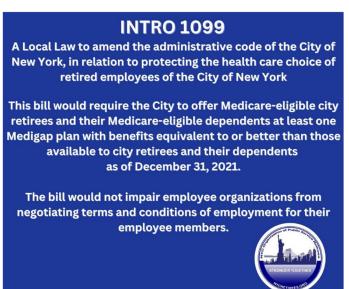
There will never be a "Clean Slate Law" for police officers because as far as CCRB and progressive politicians are concerned, the police are always the aggressors while criminals are simply victims of police abuse.

Bernard Whalen is a former NYPD lieutenant and co-author of "The NYPD's First Fifty Years" and "Case Files of the NYPD."



#### RETIRED LIEUTENANTS ASSOCIATION NYPD

We are forwarding this Facebook posting from the NYC Organization of Public Service Retirees, regarding NYCity council intro 1099.



Call The Council members below and click below to send the members emails <a href="https://actionnetwork.org/.../please-sign-onto-cm-barrons..">https://actionnetwork.org/.../please-sign-onto-cm-barrons..</a>

Politely, inform their offices, how to judge granted us a preliminary injunction based on the evidence we submitted in our brief, as well as the hundreds of affidavits that Retirees would be irreparably harmed if they were forced into a Medicare Advantage plan.

Advised them that even the Aetna attorney admitted that some of our doctors might not accept their plan And that our healthcare might be denied or we won't have access to a Hospital. The Aetna Attorney with such hubris, minimized the fact that our attorney mentioned "only" one death from their prior authorization. The judge said that was one too many.

If they tell you they are waiting for the Court decision, advise them they will be seen as trying to support something they should have at the beginning, at the end. When it could be too late. It also looks bad that they want retirees to finance their own protection, when the Council could easily provide the same protection with legislation. The Judge determined the Admin Code in his opinion means the City must provide us with a Medigap, but clearly the City disagrees. Codify it in statute so the Mayor stops playing games with our lives.

Ask them to sign onto Councilman Barron's intro 1099. Tell them we will be having a rally outside City Hall on Thursday before the stated meeting where they are welcome to come and announce they are signing onto our legislation.

The Bill in in the Civil Service & Labor Committee If there is an asterisk next to a CM, they are on that Committee.

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#### RETIRED LIEUTENANTS ASSOCIATION NYPD

To the membership we thank the many members who sent us this article.

#### To send a letter to the Parole Board go to the PBA website at <u>NYC PBA - Keep Cop-Killers in Jail</u> You can send letters regarding all cop killers from an option on the PBA's site Our thanks

You can send letters regarding all cop killers from an option on the PBA's site Our thanks to the PBA for creating the site and for delivering the letters. you are always welcome to send your own letters.

Release of driver in NYPD Officer Byrne's murder proves we need Parole Board reform By James A. Gagliano NY Post July 28, 2023

The family of NYPD service martyr Edward R. Byrne is grappling with incalculable pain yet again.

Pain almost as visceral as the suffocating sorrow they experienced on February 26, 1988 — when first informed that their son, a 22-yearold rookie cop, had been assassinated by a gang of drug thugs while pulling security outside the home of a crime witness in South Jamaica, Queens.

In the latest of a string of shockingly indefensible and disgusting decisions by the New York State Board of Parole, <u>Scott Cobb</u>, 60, who served as the getaway car driver for the team of assassins, will be sprung as early as next month, having served 34 years of a 25-to-life sentence.

When this news reached the Byrne family, they were devastated.

I immediately called one of my old FBI partners, Eddie's older brother, Steve. He and I had worked organized crime cases in New York and served on an FBI SWAT team together during early 1990s, and are one-time roommates.

I have carried Eddie's funeral Mass card in my FBI credentials case for decades; a somber reminder of his sacrifice.

I witnessed his parents softly weeping while seated around their dining room table, years ago, as they traded stories of Eddie's life while growing up.

The NYPD's Police Benevolent Association issued a press release condemning the decision and describing Byrne's assassination as "one of the most heinous and noteworthy cop-killings of the 20th century."

The Byrne family is now forced to grapple with the possibility that Cobb's three accomplices, Phillip Copeland, David McClary and Todd Scott, will all appear before the same board in September (Copeland), October (McClary) and January (Scott).

With time, memories may fade, but wounds of the heart seldom heal. The Parole Board's decision proves that even the most depraved crimes — like the targeted assassination of a police officer — are "forgivable." They are not.

Details of the murder, described by the PBA, are appalling:

In the early morning hours of February 26, 1988, Byrne, in uniform in a marked police car, was protecting a valuable witness whose home had recently been firebombed to discourage him from testifying against drug-kingpin Howard ("Pappy") Mason. Cobb and three other assassins — David McClary, Todd Scott and Phillip Copeland — acted in concert to carry out Mason's orders to kill a police officer and send "a message to the cops" that his imprisonment would bring retaliation. Copeland directed the nefarious plot, with Mason pulling his strings. Cobb was the wheelman, driving the hit men to and from the scene. Scott's role was to distract Officer Byrne from his car's passenger side. McClary shot Officer Byrne five times in the head from point blank range. For their efforts, the assassins split an \$8,000 bounty and bragged about the murder.

In October of 2014, Sen. Chuck Schumer opposed clemency for the convicted cop-killers and publicly urged the Parole Board to deny clemency in order to "continue to send signal that if you commit such a horrendous crime in the State of New York, we will ensure you serve the maximum sentence."

What changed?

Well, Albany Democrats now enjoy one-party rule.

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#### RETIRED LIEUTENANTS ASSOCIATION NYPD

The Parole Board's latest disgraceful decision is not a one-off. According to figures compiled since 2017 by the PBA, the Parole Board has released 36 cop-killers.

The board consists of 17 members who are appointed by the governor, confirmed by the Senate, and serve six-year terms.

Since 2008, three Democratic governors have made every appointment to the current board.

During his time in office, Gov. Andrew Cuomo was <u>roundly criticized</u> for having oversight of a Parole Board that in 2020 released Anthony Bottom, part of a crew that lured two NYPD cops into a fatal ambush with a fake 911 call in 1971.

The same Parole Board that voted to spring his accomplice, Herman Bell, in 2018.

Another <u>galling decision</u> by Cuomo's board also occurred in 2020 when Perry Bellamy, who, in 1985, lured Parole Officer Brian Rooney into an ambush — for \$5,000 in "blood money" from a drug kingpin — was released.

In 2021, Cuomo's board struck again, granting another one of the cop-killers involved in the notorious <u>1981 Brinks armored car heist</u> in Rockland County, <u>David Gilbert</u>, parole.

This, after the 2019 release of Brinks getaway car driver, Judith Clark.

These decisions are emblematic of the board's sympathies and wholly maddening to those who grieve for victims' families.

et they also speak to the cognitive dissonance exhibited by those who preach diversity and inclusion — so long as it aligns with their political ideologies.

Reading through the board's brief commissioner biographies, you see mental-health professionals, Legal Aid attorneys, political-science majors, therapists, ordained ministers, counselors, proponents of "restorative justice," addiction specialists, parole and probation officers, corrections department officials and two former assistant district attorneys.

What you will not find is a commissioner who served as a police officer, state trooper or federal agent.

No former police chiefs or sheriffs.

The closest representation is an appointee who incredibly self-describes as having been "chosen from a civil service list of candidates to join the Erie County Sheriff's Office as a deputy sheriff but resigned while in the academy to run for political office."

Former gubernatorial candidate Lee Zeldin is right when he suggested the Parole Board is in need of serious reform and an overhaul. Yet one-party rule makes that impossible.

None of this will ever help fully heal the Byrne family.

They appreciate that Eddie's slaying brought about changes in the passivity that emboldened drug lords during the crack-era in New York City.

It served as a catalyst for change in policing methodologies, ushering in the era of safer streets as New York City transformed into the safest big city in the world.

And in 2019, the upstate New York village where I serve as mayor received a generous grant award from the Edward Byrne Memorial Assistance Grant program.

Eddie's legacy helped furnish new ballistic vests, helmets and other tactical gear.

Even in death, Eddie is helping keep his fellow cops safe.

Cornwall-on-Hudson Mayor James A. Gagliano serves on the board of directors for the Law Enforcement Legal Defense Fund.



### Dear Member:

The Trustees are pleased to provide you with this Comprehensive Benefits Booklet which describes your benefits through the Detectives' Endowment Association Health Benefits Fund. This booklet includes all the Trust Fund benefits--prescription drug, dental, optical, hearing aid and body scans. This booklet contains details of these benefits including enrollment, eligibility, coverage for dependents, and other general information concerning Trust Fund procedures. To the extent that this booklet describes an insured benefit, the group insurance contract specifies the exact benefits provided, and the language of the insurance contract will govern in the event of inconsistency between it and the language of this booklet. We suggest that you read this booklet carefully and share it with your family. Please keep it available so that you can refer to it in the future. If you have any questions, please contact the Fund Office at 212.587.9120

https://www.nycdetectives.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/DEA Benefit-Guide Retiree 2022.pdf

## Medicare Advantage

### Does NOT Effect DEA Benefits

The DEA has received several phone calls from concerned members asking whether the new Medicare Advantage plan will change other aspects of their DEA health benefits, such as dental, optical, or prescription drug coverage.

Please be advised the answer is **no**. Whether you choose to utilize the new Medicare Advantage plan, or whether you choose to opt-out of the plan, it does not affect any of your DEA covered benefits, such as dental, optical, or prescription drug coverage which remains the same.

Retired DEA members are covered for dental under the DEA's Cigna Dental Plan.

Retired DEA members are covered for prescription drugs under our Express-Scripts prescription drug plan.

Retired DEA members are covered for their optical needs through Davis Vision and Vision Screening.

The DEA also has a Hearing Aid allowance.

Details about all our retiree health benefits can be found on the DEA website at www.nycdetectives.org

### 2023 DEA Jack Healy Memorial Scholarships

The DEA is now accepting applications for the 2023 Jack Healy Memorial Scholarships.

The DEA will be awarding at least ten scholarships to the sons and daughters of members in good standing. Awards are \$5,000 each. If you are applying for more than one child, each child requires a separate submission.

Applications must be at the DEA no later than Friday, September 22, 2023. Winners will be selected at a random drawing conducted by the DEA in the fall.

Click on the application form link: it can be filled out online, and then printed out for submission along with the requested student verification form or school acceptance letter. https://www.nycdetectives.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/2023-DEA-Scholarship-Form.pd

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DEA Health Benefits (212) 587-9120	www.Davisvision.com	
DEA Health Benefits <b>FAX (212) 587-9149</b> www.nycdetectives.org	Vision Screening (800) 68 www.Vscreening.com	
NYPD Pension Section (212) 693-5100 www.nyc.gov/nycppf	Cigna Dental DEA Desigr (888) 735-3715	
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#### Important Phone Numbers

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nated Hotline

er Service number at (877) 882-3343—express-scripts.com

City Health Benefits for Retired Members (212) 513-0470

If you are unable to reach this telephone number please try their website at www.nyc.gov/olr (Please Choose Health Benefits Program, Questions, Contact OLR, leave an email for the Commissioner).

NYPD Pavroll Section (646) 610-616



### Veterans Property Tax Relief

To qualify for the disabled veteran homestead property tax relief under North Carolina law a person must meet the following criteria:

- The property owner must be a veteran of any branch of the US Armed Forces with an honorable discharge AND
- The property owner must have a permanent & total service connected disability of 100% OR
- Rated Permanently Individually Unemployable by the US Dept. of Veteran Affairs OR
- The property owner must be in receipt of Dependents Indemnity Compensation (Survivors Pension) as a surviving spouse.

The disabled veteran homestead exemption is the first \$45,000 of your assessed real property value. Co-owners **who are not spoues** and who are individually eligible for the benefit will receive no more than the first \$45,000 of the assessed real property. \$45,000 is the maximum allowed exclusion for property tax releif N.C.G.A 105.277.1C.

- 1. Complete Sections 1 and 2 of the NCDVA-9 Form.
- Mail or Fax Certification to: State Service Office NCDMVA - NCDVA9 251 North Main Street, Room 190 Winston-Salem, NC 27155 Fax: (336) 631-5028
- 3. Once certified by the Veterans Benefit Administration the form will be returned to your primary residence. You will then submit the NCDVA-9 to your local county tax office.

## The deadline to submit your documents to your county tax office is June 1st of the current tax year. It is recommended that you submit your application to the State Service Center well in advance of this date to allow time for the certification process.

### Property Tax Exemptions For New York State Veterans

There are three different property tax exemptions available to Veterans who have served in the United States Armed Forces. The exemption applies to county, city, town, and village taxes. Exemptions may apply to school district taxes.

Veterans can receive one of the three following exemptions:

1. Alternative Veterans' Exemption

- · Available only on residential property of a Veteran who has served during a designated time of war or received an expeditionary medal
- Currently available in over 95 percent of the county, city, town, and village taxing jurisdictions across the state. The remainder of these jurisdictions may choose to offer this exemption in the future
- Veteran applicants should check with the assessor or clerk in the municipalities in which they reside to see whether the Alternative Veterans' Exemption is offered
- Extra tax reductions available for combat and United States Dept. of Veterans Affairs service-connected disabilities. May be available for school district taxes. School districts must elect to offer the exemption
- 2. Cold War Veterans' Exemption
- Available only on residential property of a Veteran who served during the Cold War period
- Counties, cities, towns, and villages have the option to offer this exemption to qualified Veterans
- Extra tax reductions available for United States Dept. of Veterans Affairs service-connected disabilities
- Check with your assessor or clerk to see whether the Cold war Veterans' exemption is offered
- 3. Eligible Funds Exemption
- Provides a partial exemption
- Applies to property that a Veteran or certain other designated person purchases. Such owners must purchase the property with pension, bonus, or insurance monies
- May be available for school district and other taxes

Veterans should submit an amended application if the Veteran's United States Dept. of Veterans Affairs service-connected disability percentage changes.

Veterans may also be eligible for other exemptions based on income and disability.

#### How to Request an Exemption

Eligible Veterans must submit the initial exemption application form to the assessor. There is a deadline for filing. For additional details, including filing deadlines and applications, please contact your local tax assessor's office.

#### Acceptable Military Records

Please reference the listing of documents that may be used to prove discharge under honorable conditions: <u>http://www.tax.ny.gov/pit/property/exemption/vetexemptproof.htm</u>

#### Additional Assistance:

If you would like to learn more about the benefits and services you may be eligible for as a Veteran, servicemember, or as a family member of a Veteran or servicemember, please call the New York State Division of Veterans' Services Help Line at 1.888.838.7697 (VETSNYS), where you may also schedule an appointment with one of our Veterans Benefits Advisors.

#### For Additional Information

If you would like additional information regarding Property Tax Exemptions, please visit the Dept. of Taxation and Finance's Website by clicking this link: <u>https://www.tax.ny.gov/pit/property/exemption/vetexempt.htm</u>.



## Senior, Military, Access or Other Passes Senior, Military or Access Passes require additional verification steps. We've outlined the details of these passes below:



- You can receive your free Military pass by presenting your Current US military ID at most Federal lands that charge an entrance fee.
- Sites that issue the Annual Pass will generally also issue the free US military version as well.
- Please contact the Federal Land you will be visiting in advance to ensure that they have the pass available.

### Purchase at Entrance

Available at most National Park Entrance Stations. Call park or federally managed land to confirm availability. List of all federal recreation sites <u>https://store.usgs.gov/s3fs-public/</u><u>PassIssuanceList.pdf</u>

### **Pass for Veterans**

As of November 11th, 2020 veterans qualify for free entry into federal parks. The Interagency Annual Military Pass has been expanded to include both veterans and Gold Star Families. Agencies will now issue the Interagency Military Passes to veterans and Gold Star Families upon request and with proof of eligibility as described below. Veterans will need to present one of the following forms of identification where entrance fees are collected:

- Department of Defense Identification Card (CAC Card)
- Veteran Health Identification Card (VHIC)
- Veteran ID Card
- · Veterans designation on a state-issued U.S. driver's license or identification card

For more information on this and for Gold Star Families, please see our help center article: Access for Veterans and Gold Star Families: <a href="https://help.usparkpass.com/hc/en-us/articles/360057061714-Access-for-Veterans-and-Gold-Star-Families">https://help.usparkpass.com/hc/en-us/articles/360057061714-Access-for-Veterans-and-Gold-Star-Families</a>



- A free, lifetime pass available to U.S. citizens or permanent residents of the United States that have been medically determined to have a permanent disability (does not have to be a 100% disability).
- May be obtained free in person at a federal recreation site.
- Provides entrance or access to pass owner and accompanying passengers in a single, private, non-commercial vehicle at Federal operated recreation sites across the country.
- Photo identification may be required to verify ownership.
- Passes are NON-REFUNDABLE, NON-TRANSFERABLE, and cannot be replaced if lost or stolen.

Available at most National Park Entrance Stations. Call park or federally managed land to confirm availability. List of all federal recreation sites <u>https://store.usgs.gov/s3fs-public/PassIssuanceList.pdf</u>



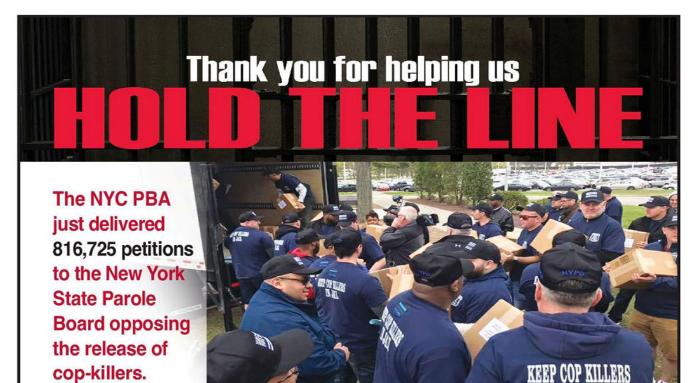
- For U.S. citizens or permanent residents age 62 or over.
- May be obtained in person at a federal recreation site.
- Provides entrance or access to pass owner and accompanying passengers in a single, private, non-commercial vehicle at Federal operated recreation sites across the country.
- Photo identification may be required to verify ownership.
- Passes are NON-REFUNDABLE, NON-TRANSFERABLE, and cannot be replaced if lost or stolen.

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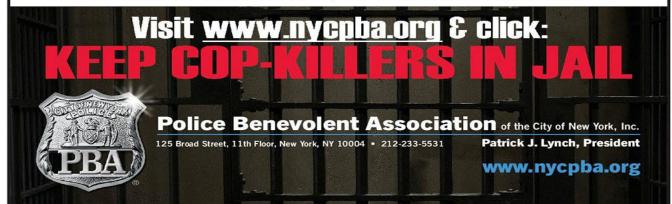
Keep Cop-Killers in Jail

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.



## 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.



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	ROCK HILL SC 29732	Cardiology
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	HICKORY NC 28602	Occupational Therapy
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	14125 STEELE CREEK RD	
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	MONROE NC 28112	Urgent Care Center
MINUTE CLINIC	(866) 389-2727	
	4724 CHARLOTTE HWY	
	CLOVER SC 29710	Urgent Care Center
MINUTE CLINIC	(866) 389-2727	
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	LANCASTER SC 29720	Urgent Care Center	
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NA PC	(866) 389-2727		
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	LINCOLNTON NC 28092	Urgent Care Center	
MINUTE CLINIC	(866) 389-2727		
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	CHARLOTTE NC 28273	Visiting Nurse Service - Home Health Care	
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#### Winter 2022

EmblemHealth has contracts with laboratories to provide lab services for our members. Please use these network laboratories when requesting lab services for our members. If you do not have an account with any of our network laboratories, please establish one as needed by calling the applicable phone number(s) below.

LABORATORY NAME	PLANS COVERED	PHONE NUMBER	WEBSITE
Routine Clinical Laboratory Services			
Labcorp	All Plans	855-522-2677	Labcorp.com
Quest Diagnostics, Inc.	All Plans	866-697-8378	questdiagnostics.com

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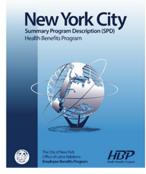
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I continually receive inquiries from members who are unsure of what medical coverage they have through Emblem Health/GHI.

Thanks to Club Trustee Dennis Cirillo here is a link to the New York City Summary Program Description Health Benefits Program <a href="https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/olr/downloads/pdf/health/health-full-spd.pdf">https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/olr/downloads/pdf/health/health-full-spd.pdf</a> 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 Catastrophic benefit (GHI/Emblem Health Members Only)

The GHI Catastrophic Rider was established to assist our members and their eligible dependents (includes spouses, registered domestic partners, and eligible dependent children; full-time students ages 19–23) to defray some of the non-covered medical and surgical expenses incurred for services rendered by non-participating or out-of-network providers and to provide coverage for catastrophic illness

- Members must incur out-of-pocket expenses of more than \$3,000 per year. (Out-of pocket expenses are those medical and hospital charges that are considered reasonable and customary by GHI and are not reimbursed by either the City Health Plan or private insurers).
- Members must produce a statement of services, Explanation of Benefits Form (EOB) and cancelled checks for expenses sub mitted.
- Reimbursement is based on a contract year (January December) 100% of GHI reasonable and customary charges, based on the current profile.
- The maximum lifetime benefit is \$2 million (limitations apply).

#### Limitations

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.

#### \$1,000 SOC Catastrophic Benefit

The SOC provides a self-funded \$1,000 direct reimbursement payable to the member after the member has submitted the required documentation and has qualified under the GHI Catastrophic Rider outlined above. The member must have incurred the minimum of at least \$3,000 out-of-pocket to qualify. The exclusions and restrictions of the SOC Catastrophic Reimbursement are the same as the requirements outlined above for the GHI Catastrophic Benefit.

The benefit does not cover prescription drug charges. Ineligible charges such as experimental procedures or services not approved by GHI/CBP and/or Empire Blue Cross Blue Shield are likewise not eligible for this benefit.

**Example:** You paid \$10,000 in out-of-pocket expenses, but GHI's reasonable and customary payment for those services is deemed to be \$7,000. The member is responsible for and pays the remaining \$3,000 of the balance and is now eligible to receive \$1,000 from the SOC's Catastrophic Reimbursement Benefit.

#### 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.

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.

https://private.sbanypd.nyc/wp-content/uploads/documents/benefits/catastrophic-coverage-benefit-claim-form.pdf

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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 catastrophic medical expenses after your G.H.I. basic refund, the DEA requires an out-of-pocket deductible of \$4,000 per family per calendar year. When G.H.I. original Explanation of Benefit (EOB) statements are submitted to the DEA reflecting the deductible, we will refund \$3,000 of the \$4,000 deductible. All covered expenses i.e., those claims in which GHI has made some level of payment, after the deductible will be processed at a 100% reimbursement level not to exceed \$250,000 lifetime per family. This catastrophic medical benefit applies only to members enrolled in the GHI-CBP program offered through the City of New York Health Benefits office.

There is an additional benefit under the DEA Catastrophic Benefit Program for Retired Members who do not qualify for the Catastrophic benefit described above.

For members who have out of pocket expenses ranging between \$2,000 and \$4,000 in a calendar year, the DEA Health Benefits Fund will reimburse you the amount between \$2,000 and \$4,000. GHI Explanation of Benefits (EOB) statements will be required for submission to the DEA in order to obtain reimbursement. Please telephone the DEA Health Benefits Office at 212-587-9120 for an Annual GHI/ DEA Refund Form.

https://www.nycdetectives.org/health-benefits/catastrophic-medical/

### ANSWERS TO FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR IRMAA OR MEDICARE PART B REIMBURSMENTS

#### Medicare Part B 2021 Reimbursement

Medicare-eligible retirees and their Medicare-eligible dependents will be reimbursed annually for the standard Medicare Part B amount of \$148.50 per month (\$148.50 x 12 months = \$1,782), excluding any penalties and late enrollment fees, and subject to be pro-rated.

Medicare Part B reimbursements were issued in April 2022. Please check your bank account/statement (or the mail, if you are receiving a physical check).

If you already submitted your Medicare Part A & B card to the Health Benefits Program, this payment is automatic and you will receive it annually.

#### Medicare Part B 2020 Reimbursement

Medicare Part B 2020 reimbursements were issued in April 2021. Please check your bank account/statement (or the mail, if you are receiving a physical check) for your payment.

If you already submitted your Medicare Part A & B card to the Health Benefits Program, this payment is automatic and you will receive it annually.

#### Medicare Part B 2019 Differential Reimbursement

Please note that if you were Medicare-eligible *prior* to 2016, you must complete the Medicare Part B Differential Form for 2019 in order to receive the Medicare Part B differential payment. The payment was based on the amount that you paid in 2019.

If you were enrolled in Medicare Part B effective *after* 2016, then you are already receiving the full payment and do **not** need to complete the Medicare Part B Differential Form.

### Medicare Part B 2019 differential reimbursements were issued in March 2021. Please check your bank account/statement (or the mail, if you are receiving a physical check) for your payment.

- For those retirees/eligible dependents who are not eligible for IRMAA, Medicare Part B 2019 differential payments up to \$318 will be issued once the Medicare Part B and IRMAA payments are processed in calendar year 2020.

Those retirees/eligible dependents who are eligible for 2019 Medicare Part B differential reimbursements must submit the <u>Medicare Part B</u> <u>2019 Reimbursement Differential Request Form</u>, along with required documentation.

Please submit this form, along with all required documents, electronically to: https://nycemployeebenefits.leapfile.net

#### IRMAA 2021 Reimbursement

IRMAA 2021 annual reimbursements will be issued during the 3rd week of October 2022. Medicare-eligible retirees and their Medicare-eligible dependents can submit an IRMAA application if they paid above the standard amount of \$148.50 per month. If you did not pay more than the standard amount then you are not eligible for IRMAA.

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 is separate from your pension payment. If you don't have EFT or direct deposit, you
should receive a check in the mail.

Please submit the IRMAA 2021 Reimbursement Application, along with all required documents, electronically to: <u>https://</u><u>nycemployeebenefits.leapfile.net</u>

#### IRMAA 2020 Reimbursement

#### IRMAA 2020 reimbursements were issued in October 2021.

If you are currently receiving your pension check through Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT) or direct deposit, your reimbursement was
deposited directly into your bank account. This is separate from your pension payment. If you don't have EFT or direct deposit, you
should have received a check in the mail.

Please submit the IRMAA 2020 Reimbursement Application, along with all required documents, electronically to: <u>https://</u><u>nycemployeebenefits.leapfile.net</u>

#### IRMAA 2019 Reimbursement

IRMAA 2019 reimbursements were issued during October and November 2020. Please check your bank account/statement (or the mail, if you are receiving a physical check) for your payment.

If you are currently receiving your pension check through Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT) or direct deposit, your reimbursement was
deposited directly into your bank account. This is separate from your pension payment. If you don't have EFT or direct deposit, you
should have received a check in the mail.

If you did not receive your IRMAA reimbursement by December 1, 2020 or if you did receive the reimbursement and you believe the amount is incorrect, you must resubmit the <u>IRMAA 2019 Reimbursement Application</u>.



#### **HR-218 Qualifications**

**Lt. Kent Lukach,** Lincoln Co. Sheriff's Office will conduct qualifications at our convenience, Mon. - Sat. at 700 John Howell Memorial Dr. Lincolnton, NC 28092. Cost is \$50. Lt. Lukach can be contacted at 980-241-4835.

Eagle Gun Range, 3789 Roberta Church Rd SW, Concord, NC 28027. Contact club member **Mike Boger**: <u>wrthawg@yahoo.com</u> or 704-699-4790 for further information.

Tega Cay, SC <u>https://www.tegacaysc.org/DocumentCenter/View/12659/HR-218-Application</u>. You must also submit a copy of your current retired Law Enforcement picture credentials.

The completed forms and copy of credentials need to be emailed to **SPO Steven Timbs** at <u>STimbs@tegacaysc.gov</u>

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

#### THE DO'S AND DON'TS OF CARRYING A CONCEALED HANDGUN IN NC

1. Your permit to carry a concealed handgun must be carried along with valid identification whenever the handgun is being carried concealed.

2. When approached or addressed by any officer, you must disclose the fact that you have a valid concealed handgun permit and inform the officer that you are in possession of a concealed handgun. You should not attempt to draw or display either your weapon or your permit to the officer unless and until he/she directs you to do so. Your hands are to be kept in plain view and you are not to make any sudden movements.

3. At the request of any law enforcement officer, you must display both the permit and valid identification.

4. You may not, with or without a permit, carry a concealed weapon while consuming alcohol or while alcohol or any substance, controlled or otherwise, is in your blood unless the substance was obtained legally and taken in therapeutically appropriate amounts.

5. You must notify the Sheriff who issued the permit of any address change within thirty (30) days of the change of address.

6. If a permit is lost or destroyed, you must notify the sheriff who issued the permit and you may receive a duplicate permit by submitting a notarized statement to that effect along with the required fee. Do not carry a handgun without it.

7. Even with a permit, you may not carry a concealed handgun in the following areas: a) Any law enforcement or correctional facility; b) Any space occupied by state or federal employees; c) Any premises where the carrying of a concealed handgun is prohibited by the posting of a statement by the controller of the premises; d) Public educational property, however, a permittee may secure a handgun in a locked vehicle; e) Areas of assemblies or demonstrations; f) State occupied property; g) Any state or federal courthouse; h) Any area prohibited by federal law; i) Any local government building if the local government had adopted an ordinance and posted signs prohibiting the carrying of concealed weapons. 8. If you are in a vehicle and stopped by a law enforcement officer, you should put both hands on the steering wheel, announce you are in possession of a concealed handgun and state where you have it concealed, and that you are in possession of a permit. Do not remove your hands from the wheel until instructed to do so by the officer.

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/



The NYPD Crime Prevention Division is now on Twitter: <u>https://twitter.com/NYPDCPD</u> 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.



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

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

#### 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 decease'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) 693-5607/5919

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
- Detectives Detectives' Endowment Association (DEA) at (212) 587-9120
- Sergeants Sergeant's Benevolent Association (SBA at (212) 431-6555
- Lieutenants and above Superior Officers Council (SOC) at (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.
- 3. Contact the NYPD Operations Unit located at One Police Plaza at (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 (Funeral Director will usually do this for you).
- 5. Contact Fraternal Organizations to arrange for visitors, Color Guard and possible insurance benefits.

6. If a veteran, notify the Veterans Administration at (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

#### 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 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor New York, NY 10006

They will send the surviving spouse a <u>pre-numbered application</u> 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. <u>Applying for this must be done within 30 days</u>. 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 Dept. 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.

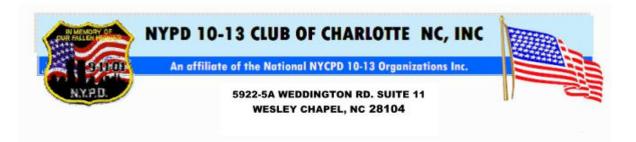
Attached is a List of Phone Numbers that you can print out and put with your important papers.

Operations Deck	646 640 5590
Operations Desk	<u>646-610-5580</u>
NYCPD General Info	<u>646-610-5000</u>
Pension Section	<u>866-692-7733</u>
I D Card Section	<u>646-610-5150</u>
Employee Benefits	<u>212-513-0470</u>
PBA Health & Welfare	<u>212-349-7560</u>
PBA Caremark Drug Plan	<u>877-722-7911</u>
PBA Satellite	<u>954-977-3880</u>
DEA	<u>212-587-9120</u>
SBA	<u>212-226-2180</u>
SBA Health & Welfare	<u>212-431-6555</u>
RSA	<u>516-564-1861</u>
LBA-SOC	<u>212-964-7500</u>
GHI	<u>800-358-5500</u>
Empire Blue Cross	<u>800-433-9592</u>
Medicare Re-Imbursement	<u>212-513-0470</u>
Medicare	<u>800-633-4227</u>
Social Security	800-772-1213
Social Security-TTY #	<u>800-325-0778</u>

#### 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
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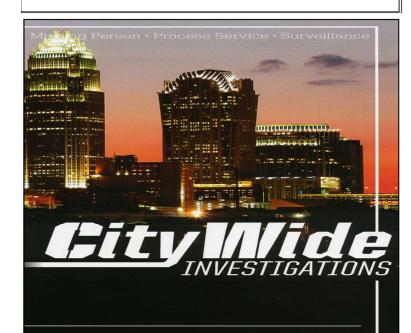
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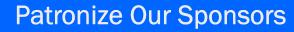
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