

From Independence Chief of Police



“The Independence Police Department appreciates the support the Independence Police Foundation provides for our officers and staff. In our job to serve and protect our community, and the inherent risks that come with policing, it means a great deal to know we have the support of Foundation donors and our community. The Foundation provides critical funding for special training and equipment initiatives, as well as assisting officers who experience catastrophic, life-altering events, including serious illnesses. Public tax dollars fund basic personnel and equipment, but are limited. Foundation donors play a vital role in ensuring the IPD has the best possible tools and resources available to support our officers and the Independence community. Thank you for helping us make Independence a safe city and strong community.”

Adam Dustman, Chief of Police,
Independence, MO

SHOW YOUR SUPPORT

We need YOU to help us fulfill our mission. Your donation stays right here in Independence, MO to support our Independence police officers.

We offer many ways to support the IPF, including monthly giving and sponsorship programs, events and online giving.

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SERVING THOSE WHO SERVE US

The Independence Police Foundation is a 501(c)(3) organization created by community stakeholders to support the City of Independence Police Department. The Foundation solicits private donations and grant funding for projects, programs, equipment and other needs to assist the department in protecting life, liberty and property within the City of Independence, MO.



The Foundation donated \$10,000 to Officer Wagstaff for an adaptive training program to work toward his goal of standing unassisted and walking with assistive devices. Officer Wagstaff was critically injured in March of 2017 after being shot in the head in the line of duty and has endured a long road to recovery. This is one example of the many projects and programs funded by the Foundation.

Our Mission:

To build a safe city and strong community.

Our Vision:

We envision the City of Independence being a community where all feel safe to live, work and visit, supported by a highly trained, well-equipped and service-minded police force.

Our Purpose:

- To assist the Independence Police Department in reducing crime and disorder through policing best practices, technology, and equipment.
- To work with the Independence Police Department to ensure that every civilian and sworn member of the department has access to the best training to perform at the highest levels of professional standards.
- To assist employees and immediate family members of the Independence Police Department with economic hardships due to death, disability, critical illness or other catastrophic event.
- To build a bridge between the police department and the Independence community to work together in building a safe city.

THE NEED

The Independence Police Foundation exists to supplement, not supplant, public funding allocated for policing services. Foundation funds are expressly prohibited from being used to replace city dollars that are allocated for fundamental policing expenses, including salaries and benefits.

PUBLIC SOURCES THAT FUND IPD (ANNUAL \$)

PROP P USE TAX

\$750,000

Funds salaries, benefits and basic equipment for 30 sworn officers.

PUBLIC SAFETY SALES TAX

\$2,250,000

Funds basic officer needs including vehicles, maintenance, fuel and radios.

GENERAL FUND

\$32,000,000

Funds salaries and benefits for 206 sworn officers and 86 civilian staff.

**Taxes are fluid sources of revenue dependent on economic conditions.*