



Cypress Police Foundation

Supporting the guardians of safety

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PRESIDENT'S WELCOME

Welcome to our first ever newsletter. My name is Don Pettinger and I have the distinct honor and privilege to serve as the President of the Cypress Police Foundation. You may be asking yourself, "what is the Cypress Police Foundation (CPF)?" Great question! We are a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization whose primary goal is to provide additional resources to the Cypress Police Department. The additional resources enhance the department's ability to serve at its highest level, while improving public safety, decreasing crime and making Cypress a great place to raise a family.

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This explanation probably leads you to another question: "Don't our taxes already do that?" For the most part they do. But the foundation is able to come alongside the department and provide those extra things that the budget doesn't necessarily afford. A perfect example of this is the police canine unit (K9). Over the years the foundation has provided the department with four canine units (K9). These dogs are a valuable resource for the department. They help improve officer safety, help to solve crimes, and are an excellent public relations tool. Everyone loves to talk about the dogs.

CPF is able to fund projects such as this because of generous donations from businesses and the public. If you would like to learn more about the Cypress Police Foundation, I encourage you to visit our website at cypresspf.org.

Thank you for taking a few moments to learn a little bit about the Cypress Police Foundation and what we do.

Warmest Regards,

Don

Our Mission

The Cypress Police Foundation in partnership with citizens, businesses, and philanthropic organizations, shall provide resources to the Cypress Police Department to enhance the Department's ability to serve at its highest level in improving public safety, decreasing crime, and making Cypress a safer place to live, work, and visit.



MEET OUR CHIEF OF POLICE

By Mariellen Yarc

I had the opportunity to sit down and chat with our Chief of Police, Mark Lauderback. He came to Cypress about a year ago after Chief Cox retired. Prior to coming to Cypress, he was the Chief of Police for Westminster. And a most interesting fact – the Chief has lived in Cypress for many years! His children went to Cypress schools and he has always believed our community is a great place to live, work and raise a family.

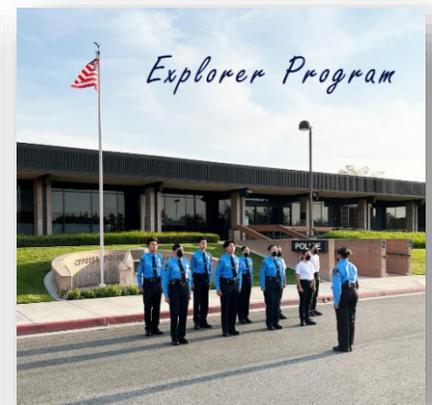
When I asked him about his goals for Cypress, he immediately started talking about the children in our community. He is a family guy, and it is important to him that our Police engage with our youth and foster a good relationship with them. *“We need to be the ones to tell our story and to mold their impression of the police...”* not the media, etc. And he believes this can be accomplished in many, tiny acts.... he wants to humanize the profession for our youth.



His plan? Reach out and interact with our schools and our students. This has already started. Cypress has had a School Resource Officer (SRO) since July. SRO Angus Yu has been exceptionally well received by our schools and has proven to be a positive ambassador for our Police Department. Additionally, our Officers regularly attend youth events – as an example, they were at Arnold Cypress Park to support the Girls Softball Opening Day 2022. Also, Officers played against the Cypress High School softball team and brought their K-9 unit, Kubo, for a guest appearance. Following the game, Cypress PD provided pizza for the players and coaches.

Cypress Police also have a very active Cypress Police Explorer Post -1036. Which provides young men and women the opportunity to gain valuable training and experience in the law enforcement field. They provide a variety of community services such as traffic control, crowd control and assisting with special events. The students enjoy field trips, ride-alongs, and the Explorer Academy. Our officers also participate in our Summer Parks and Day Camp Programs.

It's obvious that the Chief is sincere when he says he wants his Officers to interact with our youth...and his approach seems to be working.



Cypress Police Department

Open House

Saturday, May 14, 2022

10:00 am – 2:00 pm

The annual event will include station and jail tours, a fire truck, K-9 and SWAT demos, and pictures with a police motorcycle.



Donut says "Come and join us!"

Save the Date
Tuesday, May 17, 2022

The Cypress Police Foundation
invites you to join us at the luncheon
11 am at Cypress Community Center
5700 Orange Ave, Cypress, CA

Invitations to follow • For more information contact Don Pettinger at (714) 761-5200

10th Annual Cypress Police Appreciation Luncheon

The Cypress Police Foundation was established in 2010 as a 501(c)(3) not for profit corporation benefiting the men & women of the Cypress Police Department and the community in which they serve. Please donate now and help support the Cypress Police Department. Please visit our Giving page for more information on our organization as well as how you can help.

“THE GUARDIANS OF THE SAFETY AND WELFARE OF OTHERS”
-George Savord, Retired Cypress Chief of Police