



DONOR IMPACT REPORT

FLORIDA SHERIFFS ASSOCIATION

2025



To our valued supporters:

Every gift to the Florida Sheriffs Association (FSA) represents a shared commitment to our mission. We are honored to partner with you in supporting our sheriffs, and we are grateful for the trust you place in us. Your investment doesn't just fund programs—it helps shape the future of public safety in Florida.



Because of your generosity, the FSA continues to strengthen public safety and invest in the next generation of leaders. From training and support for law enforcement officers to youth programs and scholarships, this report highlights the meaningful ways your participation in our mission has made a difference.

With gratitude,

A handwritten signature in white ink that reads "Matt Dunagan". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Matt Dunagan
Executive Director



GIFTS IN ACTION



Bulletproof Vest Grant Program

Protecting those who protect us

Our Bulletproof Vest Grant Program provides life-saving vests and ballistic panels to frontline protectors, including deputies, SWAT members, correctional officers, and K-9s.

This past year, your donations totaling \$150,135 helped provide 186 vests and 70 panels across 16 sheriffs' offices.

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We are grateful to the Florida Sheriffs Association for funding bulletproof vests for our deputy sheriffs. For a fiscally constrained county like ours, this support is critical and directly impacts deputy safety. Thank you for always having our backs.

-Sheriff Mike Harrison, Gulf County



GIFTS IN ACTION



FSA Youth Scholarships

Investing in our future

The FSA is pleased to award scholarships to children of sheriffs' office employees pursuing degrees in the fields of criminal justice or STEM.

Your gifts funded \$48,000 in scholarships that were awarded to 24 children of law enforcement personnel.

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I am truly honored to be a recipient of the Florida Sheriffs Association Criminal Justice Scholarship. The scholarship award will help me fund my education, and I sincerely appreciate the confidence that the Florida Sheriffs Association has in me and my future.

- Christina Harrington, Scholarship Recipient



GIFTS IN ACTION



Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches

Supporting youth statewide

The Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches (FSYR) provide valuable services to youth and cover food costs for children, sponsorships for full-time residential services, and fund youth summer camps.

Through your support, FSYR received \$651,829 towards their mission in 2025.

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Just because a kid comes from a tough situation doesn't mean they are a tough situation... At first, I didn't know my place here. I didn't understand where I fit in. Now I know I'm someone who's dedicated to their work. Someone who gets to go to college. Someone people can trust with their problems... I never had that before I came to the ranch.

- Shirley, Rancher at FSYR



GIFTS IN ACTION



Lend a Hand

Supporting deputies and their families in crisis

The Lend A Hand Program Fund provides immediate monetary resources to deputies and their families experiencing a crisis, such as medical issues, loss of home due to fire or hurricane, or the passing of a deputy while serving their community.

Your donations provided a total of \$371,255 for deputies and their families in need.

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I've seen firsthand how quickly a deputy's life can change during a crisis. The Lend a Hand program has helped deputies and their families across the state through some of their hardest days, and it sends a powerful message: when you wear the badge in Florida, you're part of a family that takes care of each other.

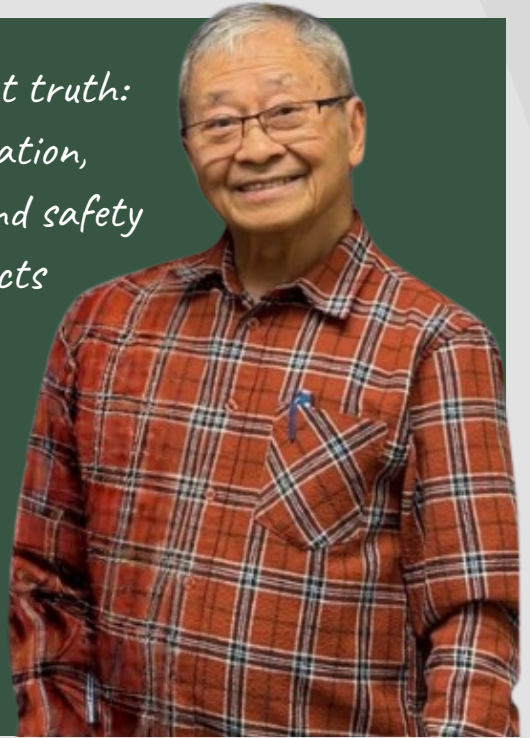
-Sheriff Gator DeLoach, Putnam County



WHY I GIVE

Having served in the army, I learned an important truth: the military stands guard over the borders of a nation, while the police stand guard over the well-being and safety of the community within those borders. One protects the country from dangers outside; the other protects the people at home. Because of that, I have always believed that those who serve and protect our communities deserve our respect, our gratitude, and our support.

- Hiep Chau, Honorary Member



I've heard so many stories over the years of how sheriffs' offices in Florida have changed the lives of young people. Whether it was through youth camps, school resource officers, teen driver challenge, or a personal encounter with a compassionate deputy. It's like a rescue mission. To me, supporting the work of the Florida Sheriffs Association helps shape future generations.

- Julie Bettinger, Law Enforcement Member



FSA GIVING SOCIETIES

LEGACY SOCIETY

The Legacy Society honors donors who create a lasting impact through a **planned gift** to the FSA.

GREEN & GOLD CIRCLE

Donors who provide a steady stream of support through **monthly recurring gifts** are welcomed to our Green & Gold Circle.

PLEDGE SOCIETY

Our Pledge Society is a community of supporters who pledge their ongoing support through a **multi-year gift agreement**.

1893 SOCIETY

The 1893 Society recognizes donors whose **cumulative giving** is making an impact on key FSA initiatives.

We are proud to honor those who help make our mission possible through FSA's giving societies. By giving to the Florida Sheriffs Association, these members and donors are making a direct investment in public safety, crime prevention, and the heroes who put their lives on the line every day.



Learn more at
flsheriffs.org/giving-societies



LEGACY SOCIETY

The Florida Sheriffs Association proudly recognizes our donors who create a lasting impact through a planned gift. Their generosity strengthens our ability to provide training, resources, and advocacy for Florida's sheriffs and their communities. Their contributions also help sustain scholarships, educational programs, and other initiatives for generations to come.

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