

Washington State Patrol Memorial Foundation
Fiscal Year Update
10/1/16 thru 9/30/17

Since 1982, the Washington State Patrol Memorial Foundation (WSPMF) has provided more than two million dollars-in financial assistance to Washington State Patrol employees and their families.

All proceeds from the annual memorial dinner are placed into our Fallen Officers' Spouse and Children College Fund to provide assistance for the children of our fallen officers to attend college. Megan Saunders, daughter of Trooper James Saunders, who died in the line of duty on October 7, 1999, is attending the University of Washington. The Foundation provided \$ 11,653 to her this last year. Emily and Erin, daughters of Detective Brent Hanger, who died in the line of duty on August 6, 2015, are both attending Western WA University. This last year, the foundation provided \$10,620 to Emily and \$11,465 to Erin.

The scholarship program for WSP employees, their spouses, and children is in its 26th year. The WSPMF provided five new scholarships and 14 renewable scholarships to families of the Washington State Patrol in the last fiscal year, totaling \$19,000 in assistance.

This year, in addition to scholarships, the WSPMF provided \$11,129 in assistance to WSP families. While much of the assistance provided by the WSPMF is confidential in nature, the WSPMF is proud to disclose its involvement in the following activities:

- The WSPMF provided financial assistance to build the WSP K-9 Memorial at the Academy. On August 15, 2017, a dedication ceremony of the memorial was held to honor K-9 Patrick, the first and only WSP K9 to die in the line of duty.
- The WSPMF Dinner, held at the Three Rivers Convention Center on April 29, 2017, raised \$43,710 for our Fallen Officers' Spouse and Children College Fund. Family members of Troopers Brent Hanger, Sean O'Connell, James Saunders, Steven Frink, Clifford Hansell, Thomas Hendrickson, Frank Noble, and Officer Joseph Modlin attended the Memorial Dinner as our guests. Core Values award recipients, Trooper Michael Newton and Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Officer Benjamin Kastine, read the names of our fallen officers and were our guests for the evening.

The WSPMF currently has 1,199 contributing members (991 active and 208 retired employees). To be a voting member of the WSPMF, you must contribute \$5 per month or \$2.50 a pay period. This minimal deduction goes a long way toward helping WSP families in times of need. If you would like to be a contributing member of the WSPMF or would like to increase your monthly donation, please request the form through Sharon Phillips at sharon@wspmf.org or (360) 597-4411.

The 36th Annual Washington State Patrol Memorial Foundation Dinner will be held on Saturday, April 21, 2018, at the Hilton Hotel in Vancouver, WA. Please join us to remember those officers who lost their lives in the line of duty. Note: Please contact the WSPMF website at the following link for hotel reservations: <http://www.wspmf.org/news.htm>. Remember – all proceeds from the dinner are placed into our Fallen Officers' Spouse and Children College Fund.

Mission Statement: We, the Washington State Patrol Memorial Foundation, are entrusted to preserve the memory of Washington State Patrol fallen officers and to provide assistance to active and retired Washington State Patrol employees and their families in times of need.