



## Behind the Badge

# E-News from the Law Enforcement Foundation

Dear LEF Supporter,

Welcome to the Law Enforcement Foundation's January e-newsletter – where we honor our supporters and share news about our executive training programs.

### **Thank you to our loyal supporters!**

We'd like to extend our sincere appreciation to the following donors for their recent support of LEF:

**Mr. and Mrs. R. Douglas Cowan, \$1,000**

**Community Foundation of Delaware County, \$1,000**

**KeyBank Foundation, \$7,350**

**Dr. and Mrs. Raymond Miller, \$400**

**Squire, Sanders & Dempsey LLP, \$1,000**

### **Congratulations to the Graduates of STEP Class VIII**

On December 14, 33 Ohio law enforcement officers celebrated their completion of the Supervisor Training and Education Program (STEP). The STEP program is an intense three week course geared towards recently promoted First Line Supervisors in law enforcement.

The program's objective is to create dynamic first-line supervisors and assist these newly-promoted officers in making the transition from patrol officer to a supervisor who is accountable to and for subordinates and the use of tax dollars. It teaches leadership principles

so they may lead their teams, respond to crises from a manager's perspective, and to help them adapt to responding to the community as a manager.

Today, there are 226 STEP graduates making a positive contribution towards the safety and welfare of their communities. Best wishes to our STEP VII graduates in their future endeavors of serving their departments and protecting their communities!



*STEP VIII Graduates (photo taken by Jessie Huck-Parks, JH Parks Studio)*

***STEP is one of the programs that is exclusive to the Law Enforcement Foundation. If you are interested in sponsoring the STEP program or a student of STEP, please contact Donna Braxton at [donna.braxton@oacp.org](mailto:donna.braxton@oacp.org) or 614-761-4630.***

### **Results from The Big Give**

On November 11, 2011, The Columbus Foundation hosted The Big Give, a one day charitable giving event, in which The Columbus Foundation and its family of donors had committed \$1,000,000 in matching charitable funds to help make The Big Give the largest one day of giving ever in central Ohio. With \$8.7 million raised for nonprofits in central Ohio, they certainly succeeded in their endeavor!

The Law Enforcement Foundation was fortunate to receive a total of \$593.10 from The Big Give. This total was comprised of individual donations, a matching gift from the Columbus Foundation and reimbursement of credit card fees.

We'd like to thank those individuals who contributed to LEF during The Big Give:

**Mr. Joel Brown, \$150**

**Chief Tom Davidson, CLEE, \$100**

**Chief (ret.) Homer Davis, \$100**

**Chief (ret.) Greg Garlock, CLEE, \$50**

**Chief Joseph Morbitzer, CLEE, \$50**

**Chief David Oliver, CLEE, \$25**

**Lt. Jerry Strait, \$25**

We greatly appreciate their support in not only supporting LEF but in strengthening the communities in Central Ohio. Thank you so much for your support!

***Supporting law enforcement is an investment in the safety and well-being of your community. There are many ways to show your support:***

- *Make a tax-deductible donation at [www.lef-oh.org](http://www.lef-oh.org)*
- *Sponsor an LEF program by contacting Donna Braxton, CEO, at [donna.braxton@oacp.org](mailto:donna.braxton@oacp.org)*
- *Enroll your Kroger Plus Card in Kroger's Community Rewards Program in support of LEF at [www.krogercommunityrewards.com](http://www.krogercommunityrewards.com)*

***Please partner with us and lend your financial support of our programs to help make our Ohio communities even stronger and safer places to live, work, learn, and play.***