



# Virginia Sheriffs' Institute

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John W. Jones  
Executive Director

[Sheriff Name—FLUSH RIGHT]  
xxxLocality Namexxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

Dear xxxSalutationxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx,

As a/an xxxxxxxLocality Namexxxxx resident, I need your immediate support to provide desperately needed resources for all of our sheriffs and deputies to continue to provide enhanced law enforcement educational and training programs, as well as to promote public safety and the suppression of crime.

During this time of increased scrutiny on our public safety community and continued threats of budget cuts to sheriffs' offices, it's more important than ever that Virginia sheriffs and deputies have the tools and training required to appropriately fight crime in xxLocality Namexxxx and communities all across our state. xxxSalutationxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx, that is why I am turning to you and other members of our community to ask for your support today.

For just 7¢ a day for the next year (\$25), you can display your commitment as an Associate Member of the Virginia Sheriffs' Institute (VSI). Your tax-deductible contribution will help assist the families of deputies or sheriffs killed in the line of duty, in an effort to relieve personal and community distress relating to such incidents.

In addition, with your support today, VSI will continue to promote important crime prevention and awareness programs, offer improved training for our public safety officers, and provide desperately-needed scholarships to Virginia students pursuing Criminal Justice degrees.

Thanks to the active support of xxxLocality Namexxxxx residents like you, the Virginia Sheriffs' Institute is able to step in where tax dollars fall short, and provide my fellow sheriffs and me with critically needed funding.

In addition to your enclosed 2022 membership card, you'll receive bumper stickers and decals for your car, as well as our quarterly newsletter keeping you informed on the latest public safety news and events in the Commonwealth and in our area.

On behalf of Virginia sheriffs, I'm asking for your immediate help. So please, join us today by completing and returning the form enclosed along with your \$25 annual tax-deductible contribution. This letter is part of a statewide effort, of which I am proud to be a part of.

Sincerely,

*FPO Sheriff Signature*

xxSheriff Full Namexxxxx, xxxLocality Namexxxxx



# **Virginia Sheriffs' Institute Programs**

## **Assisting families of law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty**

The Virginia Sheriffs' Institute (VSI) assists families of deputies or sheriffs killed in the line of duty, in an effort to relieve personal and community distress relating to such incidents.

## **Virginia Sheriffs' Scholarship Program**

Begun in 1981, one of our most rewarding programs is providing scholarships to students throughout Virginia who major in Criminal Justice at a Virginia college or university. With the help of our loyal members, we awarded 66 scholarships for the 2021-2022 academic year to Virginia's youth.

## **Promoting public safety and crime prevention, and supporting our education programs for Sheriffs and Deputies**

VSI sponsors numerous programs and seminars each year including a spring and fall educational conference for sheriffs and deputies. These efforts are essential to improve the training for public safety officers.

In addition, VSI provides a certification program, training for newly elected sheriffs and lawful employment training, among other programs.

Each of our programs is vital to promoting the safety of Virginia residents and ensuring our officers are fully prepared and equipped with the training they need to effectively safeguard our communities.



The Virginia Sheriffs' Institute never asks for donations by telephone.

*Funds raised by the VSI are used solely to promote professionalism and advance good law enforcement in our community and throughout Virginia. The Virginia Sheriffs' Institute is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization as recognized by the Internal Revenue Service. Your contribution is tax-deductible as allowable by law. To see VSI's latest IRS 990 tax return, please visit [www.vasheriffsinstitute.org](http://www.vasheriffsinstitute.org). For a copy of the latest audit report, please contact the VSI office at (804) 225-7152.*