

## **I.U.P.A. LOCAL 6020** INTERNATIONAL UNION OF POLICE ASSOCIATIONS BROWARD DEPUTY SHERIFFS ASSOCIATION *THE VOICE OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS*

**NEWS UPDATE** 

October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022

**Endorsement Survey:** Attached are answers for questions submitted to Coby King who is running for Oakland Park Commissioner, Niccole Pazos who is running for Sunrise Commissioner Seat D, and Bob Hartmann who is running for Southwest Ranches City Council. Members will be receiving an email via SurveyMonkey member@surveymonkeyuser.com to vote. The voting will close Monday, October 24, 2022, at 1:00 PM.

**I.U.P.A. Edward J. Kiernan Memorial Scholarship:** Congratulations to Gabriel Gersberg, son of I.U.P.A. Local 6020 member Mariano Gersberg, and Matthew Coleman, son of I.U.P.A. Local 6020 member Kevin Coleman, on being awarded the I.U.P.A. Edward J. Kiernan Memorial Scholarship.

Law Enforcement Officer Relief Fund (LEORF): The International Union of Police Associations' LEORF was created to assist law enforcement officers and their families when faced with tragedy, such as violence or natural disaster. Unfortunately, Hurricane Ian caused horrific destruction throughout the State of Florida. The LEORF has been able to provide immediate financial relief to law enforcement officers who were burdened with a severe financial hardship as a result of Hurricane Ian. The LEORF is funded by voluntary contributions and is currently holding a raffle where the first prize winner will be awarded a Harley Davidson motorcycle. The learn more about the raffle visit <u>https://leorf.org/giveaway/</u>

**Recent Critical Incident Responses:** Within approximately the past month I.U.P.A. Local 6020 Executive Board Members and I.U.P.A. Legal Defense Fund Attorneys have promptly responded to represent our members on scenes ranging from deputy involved shootings, on duty traffic crashes, and in custody death. The I.U.P.A. Local 6020 provides the best representation available to members and believes in confidentiality to protect our members. Confidentiality is extremely important when deciding which union members choose to represent them. Unfortunately, our membership-challenged competitor, the Broward PBA, feels the need to conduct social media press releases on active scene critical incidents which attract media attention and place a spotlight on the involved law enforcement officer's critical incident all for self-serving promotional

purposes. Their most recent press release failed to note their approximately 1 hour and 30-minute response time to a critical incident on a weekday during business hours.

**Deputy Relief Fund:** Multiple Deputy Relief Fund checks have been issued to I.U.P.A. Local 6020 members this month. The I.U.P.A. Local 6020 has a Deputy Relief Fund established to assist members who have severe financial hardships. The Deputy Relief Fund has existed for years and has provided financial assistance to I.U.P.A. Local 6020 members including those who were unjustly terminated as the I.U.P.A. Local 6020 arbitrates their case. The Deputy Relief Fund is funded by voluntary contributions. The more people who contribute to the fund the stronger the fund is. The I.U.P.A. Local 6020 has approximately 1200 members and requests each member donate \$5 per pay check. For those currently contributing a new Deputy Relief Fund Account was set up and you must update the account and routing number. Below are instructions on how to donate to the fund.

Direct Deposits can be set-up through MYBSO using the directions & account info below. Log into MYBSO, click Payroll and Compensation, click Direct Deposit, and click Add Account. Then enter the account info below and the amount you wish to donate.

## **Routing #:** 263191387 Account #: 1100020441788 Account Type: Checking

## Please contact I.U.P.A. Local 6020 President Matt Cowart at 954-303-4265 if you need assistance setting up a contribution.

Sincerely,

I.U.P.A. Local 6020 Executive Board