



I.U.P.A. LOCAL 6020

INTERNATIONAL UNION OF POLICE ASSOCIATIONS
BROWARD DEPUTY SHERIFFS ASSOCIATION
THE VOICE OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

NEWS UPDATE

October 27th, 2022

BSO Firefighter in Need: The I.U.P.A. Local 6020 was saddened to hear of the tragic accident that BSO Firefighter Bryan Aparicio and his girlfriend, Su, were involved in. Bryan and Su were traveling in an Uber on I-95 in Palm Beach County when a tanker truck flipped over and ignited. Bryan and Su sustained severe burns and were transported to hospitals with extremely critical injuries. The I.U.P.A. Local 6020 is requesting its members as well as the general public to assist them financially during this very tragic time and donate to their Go Fund Me account at <https://gofund.me/f3898b07>

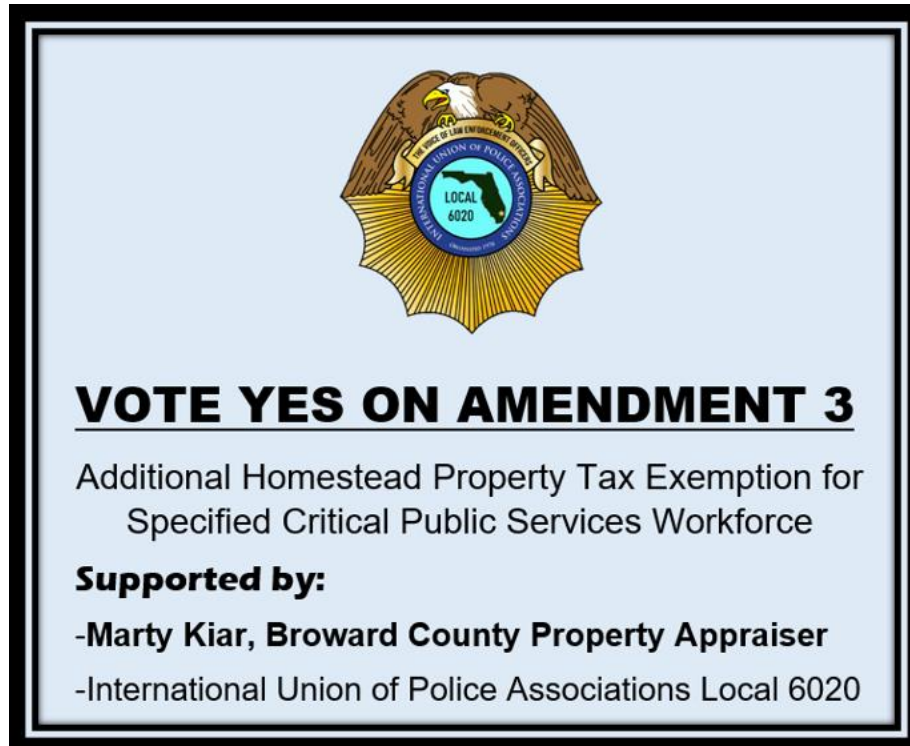
Out of Office: I.U.P.A. Local 6020 President Matt Cowart will be out of the country next week (10/30-11/6). If you need assistance during that time, please call IUPA Attorney Mike Finesilver (305-542-8660), Vice President Don Prichard (954-868-4928), or Secretary-Treasurer Greg LaCerra (954-818-2655).

Florida Retirement System (FRS) Update: As we approach the 2023 legislative session the I.U.P.A. Local 6020 as well as the parent organization, the International Union of Police Associations, are continuing to advocate to law makers in the Florida legislature to change to years of credible service required by Special Risk members back to 25 years of service and placing the retirement age to collect the FRS pension back to age 55. The I.U.P.A. Local 6020 so far has sent correspondence to approximately 100 Representatives in the Florida House and has received positive feedback. The I.U.P.A. Local 6020 has conducted meetings with multiple representatives on this matter.

Former BSO Deputy Maury Hernandez: The I.U.P.A. Local 6020 is currently advocating with lawmakers in the Florida legislature to pass a claim bill for former BSO Deputy Maury Hernandez who in 2007 sustained a gunshot wound to the head while attempting to arrest a suspect. The I.U.P.A. Local 6020, the International, and Sheriff Tony have all issued letters to Governor DeSantis to support the claim bill.

Endorsements: Attached are the I.U.P.A. Local 6020's endorsement list for the 2022 Midterm Election. If anyone is interested in volunteering to assist our endorsed candidates please contact don@6020.iupa.org

Amendment 3: Amendment 3 is on the 2022 Midterm election ballot. The I.U.P.A. Local 6020 supports Amendment 3 and encourages everyone to vote yes for it. If it passes law enforcement officers will receive an additional \$50,000 homestead exemption. Please share the below flyer to spread awareness for the Amendment.



Recruitment and Retention Research: The I.U.P.A. Local 6020 is finalizing complying recruitment and retention data for DLE deputies and sergeants and will be reaching out to BSO in the near future to present the data in an effort to advocate for the best wages and benefits for our membership.

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