



Colorado FOP Troopers' Lodge

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Benefits for Family Members of Troopers Killed in the Line of Duty

The Executive Board will appoint a coordinator to assist the family members of any Colorado FOP Lodge 55 members killed in the line of duty. The coordinator will ensure the family members are advised of available benefits and assist as needed in obtaining those benefits.

Life Insurance

State life insurance benefits along with personal life insurance benefits. Benefits may also be available from any law enforcement groups the Lodge Member was a member of.

Workmen's Compensation

"8-42-114 Death benefits. In case of death, the dependents of the deceased entitled thereto shall receive as compensation or death benefits sixty-six and two-thirds percent of the deceased employee's average weekly wages, not to exceed a maximum of ninety-one percent of the state average weekly wage per week for accidents occurring on or after July 1, 1989, and not less than a minimum of twenty-five percent of the applicable maximum per week."

Colorado Dept. of Higher Education

Colorado Dependents Assistance Program (DTAP):

Public in-state institution of higher education: student receives tuition (no fees), **on-campus double-occupancy room and board** (if applicable). If a student chooses to live off-campus there is **no** reimbursement for room and board.

Private in-state institution of higher education: student receives assistance not to exceed the average cost of undergraduate instruction calculated for a full-time equivalent student at a comparable public in-state institution for the previous year. Out-of-state 4-year institution of higher education: student receives tuition assistance only (no fees). Tuition benefits are not to exceed the average cost of undergraduate instruction calculated for a full-time equivalent student at a comparable Colorado state institution for the previous year.

Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA)

Public Safety Officer's Benefit (PSOB) program: This program provides "in the form of a one-time financial payment to the eligible survivors of public safety officers whose deaths are the direct and proximate result of a traumatic injury sustained in the line of duty or certain eligible heart attacks or strokes. As of October 1, 2007, the benefit amount is \$303,064. Since October 15, 1988, the benefit has been adjusted each year on October 1 to reflect the percentage of change in the Consumer Price Index. For each death and disability claim, the award amount is solely determined by the actual date of the officer's death or disability.

The American Federation of Police and Concerned Citizens (AFP&CC)

Emergency Financial Assistance Program: A \$1,500.00 check is immediately sent to the loved ones of a fallen officer.

Grief Counseling: Professional counseling may be funded on an as needed basis.

Scholarships: \$1,500 yearly scholarships may be available to surviving sons and daughters totaling \$6,000 over four years.

The Fraternal Order of Police

The Steve Young Memorial Scholarship Program provides scholarships to spouses of fallen officers.

This brochure merely highlights many of the available benefits to the family members of officers making the ultimate sacrifice. The benefits listed are not guaranteed nor is this list all inclusive. Many benefits such as scholarships may be limited due to the acceptance of other funds.

The benefits outlined in this brochure were obtained from the following links:

www.copera.org

www.coworkforce.com

http://highered.colorado.gov/Finance/FinancialAid/Policy/guidelines_2008.pdf

www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/grant/psob

www.afp-cc.org

www.fop.net

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