

Amid National Controversy Over Law Enforcement's Use Of Force, And Following \$150,000 In Lobbying Earlier This Year, The Trump Administration Gave Up To \$15.8 Million In Small Business Relief Funds On Almost 40 Different Law Enforcement Organizations.

SUMMARY: As protests over police brutality continue across the nation, a new analysis shows the administration has bailed out nearly 40 police-affiliated organizations, including a dozen police unions (some of which have strong Trump connections or are notorious for their staunch defense of brutality and opposition to reform), for as much as \$15.8 million.

The relief money comes in the wake of over \$80,000 in campaign contributions from police to Trump and the RNC, and after a \$150,000 lobbying campaign by police organizations for support during the COVID-19 pandemic.

At least one-third of these unions are primarily funded by membership dues and had [reported](#) no layoffs or furloughs as of July 2020, raising questions around their need for pandemic aid. One of the police foundations actually received \$350,000 in April only to then spend \$2 million on “morale” bonuses after officers began protesting murder charges brought against the officer who [shot and killed](#) Rayshard Brooks, a black man.

Sixteen police organizations received as much as \$14.1 million under the [controversial](#) small business Paycheck Protection Program, while the remainder were awarded money under the less prominent [Economic Injury Disaster Loan program](#). **Recipients represent police interests in major cities including Los Angeles, Philadelphia, Houston, Atlanta, Santa Fe, Miami-Dade, and Seattle, as well as New York state.**

Key organizations discussed within this report:

- **The International Association of Chiefs of Police took up to \$5 million in PPP funds.** The organization bills itself as the “world’s largest and most influential professional association for police leaders” with “more than 31,000 members in over 165 countries.” President Trump has given remarks to the union at least twice during his president; in 2019, when he said the union president had been his “friend for a long time,” and the year prior, when he declared “for you guys, anything I can do, I’ll do.”
- **The Southern States Police Benevolent Association took up to \$2 million in PPP funds.** The union is “composed of more than 60,000 law enforcement officers employed by federal, state, county, and municipal governments” across a dozen southeastern states. Vice President Mike Pence is scheduled to accept the endorsement of the union in North Carolina on Thursday, September 3.
- **Fraternal Order of Police chapters in Philadelphia and Santa Fe took up to \$1.5 million across PPP and EIDL.** The Philadelphia FOP has a long history of successfully reducing police discipline even when the officers have been found to have committed crimes, and the Santa Fe lodge had pre-existing corruption and financial problems. The national FOP endorsed Trump in 2016, and in April 2020 praised President Trump for his “steadfast, unapologetic support of law enforcement, especially during the dark early days of the #COVID19 Pandemic.” The organization highlighted how the administration had been “totally available, listened to our needs,” and how Trump himself had “done [his] damndest to get us what we need.”

- The **Houston Police Officers' Union** took up to **\$350,000 in PPP funds**. Less than a year ago, its president threatened to use the police force to monitor and harass dissidents. This year, the union and its president vehemently defended officers after they killed a man who was already on his knees experiencing a mental health crisis, by saying the victim was “determined” to facilitate “suicide by cop” and “backed this officers into a corner.” (The victim’s father said, “They just mowed him down like a dog.”)
- The **New York State Correctional Officers & Police Benevolent Association** took up to **\$350,000 in PPP funds**. New York’s “powerful corrections officer union that represents “more than 20,000 uniformed officers in New York’s prisons,” and in 2017 rejected calls for increased police discipline following reports of abuse and misconduct, saying, “We’re not the bad actors.” The following year NYSCOPBA launched a [racist](#) campaign against prison reform.
- The **Atlanta Police Foundation** took up to **\$350,000 under PPP** in April 2020. Following the Atlanta police [shooting death of Rayshard Brooks](#) in June 2020, the same month as the George Floyd protests, the foundation spent over \$2 million paying out bonuses to “stem attrition and boost morale” as officers began to call out sick in “protest” of murder charges being filed against Brooks’ killer. The foundation also planned to replace at least 20 police cars that were damaged in the protests.
- **Professional Law Enforcement Association (PLEA)** took **\$150,000 in EIDL funds**. PLEA is a police benefit organization specializing in law enforcement legal defense, including of criminal misconduct. Said PLEA, “Law enforcement is under constant scrutiny and abuse,” warning, “allegations of criminal misconduct can cost you thousands of dollars to defend, and even bring financial ruin.”

The Trump Administration Spent Up To \$15.8 Million To Bail Out Nearly 40 Police-Affiliated Organizations, Including A Dozen Police Unions.

Nearly 40 Police-Affiliated Entities, Including Police Unions, Received As Much As \$15.8 Million In Government COVID Bailouts.

Thirty-Seven Police-Affiliated Entities Took Up To \$15,820,900 In Government Bailouts. More details can be found in the table below.

ENTITY	PROGRAM	LOW RANGE	HIGH RANGE
International Association of Chiefs of Police *	PPP	\$2,000,000	\$5,000,000
Southern States Police Benevolent Association, Inc. *	PPP	\$1,000,000	\$2,000,000
Philadelphia Lodge No. 5, Fraternal Order of Police *	PPP	\$350,000	\$1,000,000
Police Executive Research Forum *	PPP	\$350,000	\$1,000,000
Professional Police Services Inc	PPP	\$350,000	\$1,000,000
Off Duty Police Services, Inc.	PPP	\$350,000	\$1,000,000
Houston Police Officers' Union Inc *	PPP	\$150,000	\$350,000
New York State Correctional Officers & Police Benevolent Association Inc *	PPP	\$150,000	\$350,000
National Assoc of Chiefs of Police Inc *	PPP	\$150,000	\$350,000
Philadelphia Police Home Association *	PPP	\$150,000	\$350,000
Atlanta Police Foundation, Inc *	PPP	\$150,000	\$350,000
Police Officers Labor Council	PPP	\$150,000	\$350,000
Los Angeles Police Revolver & Athletic Club, Inc *	PPP	\$150,000	\$350,000
N C Special Police, LLC	PPP	\$150,000	\$350,000

International Association of Campus Law Enforcement Administrators	PPP	\$150,000	\$350,000
Palm Beach County Sheriff's Foundation	EIDL	N/A	\$150,000
Seattle Police Relief Association	EIDL	N/A	\$150,000
Law Enforcement Management Solutions LLC	EIDL	N/A	\$150,000
Law Enforcement Administrative & Management Services	EIDL	N/A	\$150,000
Law Enforcement Temporary Placement Service L.L.C.	EIDL	N/A	\$150,000
Professional Law Enforcement Association (PLEA) Inc*	EIDL	N/A	\$150,000
Professional Law Enforcement Association	EIDL	N/A	\$148,000
Meyer's Police K-9 Training, LLC	EIDL	N/A	\$113,500
Fraternal Order of Police Santa Fe Lodge #3*	EIDL	N/A	\$97,000
The William H. Parker Los Angeles Police Foundation*	EIDL	N/A	\$89,900
United Federation of Special Police and Security Officers	EIDL	N/A	\$75,000
On Target Law Enforcement and Security Consultants LLC	EIDL	N/A	\$62,800
Police Fitness	EIDL	N/A	\$47,200
Keystone Police K9 LLC	EIDL	N/A	\$24,200
Delaware Association of Police	EIDL	N/A	\$23,000
Massachusetts Constable's Law Enforcement Inc	EIDL	N/A	\$22,500
Granite State Police Career Counseling	EIDL	N/A	\$21,000
HRD Police K9	EIDL	N/A	\$15,600
Police Ballistic Shield Inc	EIDL	N/A	\$10,000
National Police Canine Association	EIDL	N/A	\$8,700
Equestrian Special Police Inc.	EIDL	N/A	\$7,700
Pelarenos Police Project	EIDL	N/A	\$4,800
TOTAL		\$7,420,900	\$15,820,900

*Denotes an entity mentioned in this report.

[Accountable.US, COVIDBailoutTracker.com, Accessed [8/31/20](#)]

Of These Recipients, A Dozen Police Unions (At Least Four Of Which Had No Layoffs As Of June) Took As Much As \$10.4 Million In Government COVID Bailouts.

Police Unions Are A Major Barrier To Reform And Have Been Linked To Increased Brutality

More Than A Dozen Police Unions And Affiliates Took Up To \$10.4 Million In Government COVID Bailouts. More details can be found in the table below.

ENTITY	BAILOUT TYPE	LOW RANGE	HIGH RANGE
International Association of Chiefs of Police	PPP	\$2,000,000	\$5,000,000
Southern State Police Benevolent Association, Inc.	PPP	\$1,000,000	\$2,000,000
Philadelphia Lodge No. 5, Fraternal Order of Police	PPP	\$350,000	\$1,000,000
Houston Police Officers' Union Inc	PPP	\$150,000	\$350,000
New York State Correctional Officers & Police Benevolent Association Inc	PPP	\$150,000	\$350,000
National Assoc of Chiefs of Police Inc	PPP	\$150,000	\$350,000
Philadelphia Police Home Association (aka Philadelphia Fraternal Order of the Police Home Association)	PPP	\$150,000	\$350,000
Police Officers Labor Council	PPP	\$150,000	\$350,000

International Association of Campus Law Enforcement Administrators	PPP	\$150,000	\$350,000
Professional Law Enforcement Association	EIDL	N/A	\$148,000
Fraternal Order of Police Santa Fe Lodge #3	EIDL	N/A	\$97,000
United Federation of Special Police and Security Officers	EIDL	N/A	\$75,000
Delaware Association of Police	EIDL	N/A	\$23,000
TOTAL		\$4,593,000	\$10,443,000

[Accountable.US, COVIDBailoutTracker.com, Accessed [8/31/20](#)]

New York Times, June 2020 HEADLINE: “How Police Unions Became Such Powerful Opponents To Reform Efforts” [New York Times, [6/6/20](#)]

- **“The Greater The Political Pressure For Reform, The More Defiant The Unions Often Are In Resisting It.”** [New York Times, [6/6/20](#)]
- **“They Have Also Been Remarkably Effective At Fending Off Broader Change, Using Their Political Clout And Influence To Detail Efforts To Increase Accountability.”** [New York Times, [6/6/20](#)]

Delaware Public Media HEADLINE: “The Link Between Disproportionate Police Brutality And Police Unions” [Delaware Public Media, [6/12/20](#)]

The Intercept, August 2018 HEADLINE: “Police Unions’ Opposition To Prison Reform Is About More Than Jobs – It’s About Racism” [The Intercept, [8/14/18](#)]

More Than Half Of These Unions “Typically Receive 90% Of Their Revenue From Membership Dues” And, As Four Confirmed They Had No Layoffs As Of June 2020, Would “Not Be Hurting For Cash”

Six Of These Unions “Typically Receive 90% Of Their Revenue From Membership Dues ... And Thus, Barring Layoffs, Would Not Be Hurting For Cash.” [Reuters, [7/10/20](#)]

- **As Of July 2020, New York State Police, Philadelphia Police Department And Sheriff’s Office, And Houston Police Department Had “Not Laid Off Or Furloughed Any Employees During The Pandemic, So Their Unions’ Dues Collections Should Not Have Suffered Any Significant Hits.”** “Four forces with unions that received loans - the New York State Police, Philadelphia Police Department, Philadelphia Sheriff’s Office and Houston Police Department - told Reuters they had not laid off or furloughed any employees during the pandemic, so their unions’ dues collections should not have suffered any significant hits.” [Reuters, [7/10/20](#)]

Trump And The Republican National Committee Were Top Recipients Of Officer Contributions, And Police Organizations Spent \$150,000 Lobbying For COVID19 Support.

As Of June 2020, Trump And The RNC Were The Top Recipients Of Police Officer Campaign Donations At A Combined \$85,000.

June 2020: Receiving Roughly \$85,000 Combined, Trump And The Republican National Committee Were The Top Recipients Of “Contributions From Individual Police Officers” Over \$200. [Center for Responsive Politics, [6/5/20](#)]

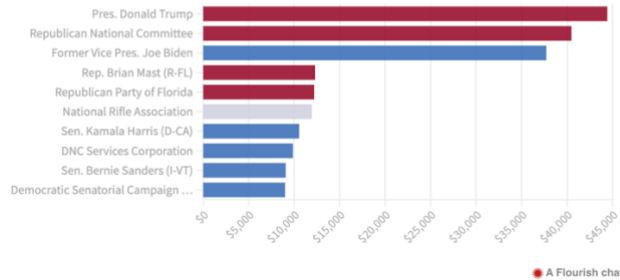
- **At Nearly \$45,000, Trump Was The Top Recipient Of “Contributions From Individual Police Officers” Over \$200 For The Cycle.** “Like PAC money, contributions from individual police officers have gone to politicians on both sides of the aisle, representing an array of politics. Among the top recipients in 2020 are President Donald Trump, Vice President Joe Biden, Sen. Kamala Harris (D-Calif.) and Sen. Bernie

Sanders (I-Vt.), all of whom had 2020 presidential bids, according to itemized donations above \$200 reported to the FEC.” [Center for Responsive Politics, [6/5/20](#)]

- **At Over \$40,000, The RNC Was The Second-Largest Recipient Of “Contributions From Individual Police Officers” Over \$200 For The Cycle.** More details can be found in the chart below.

Itemized Contributions from Law Enforcement Officers (>\$200), 2020 Cycle

Top federal recipients of individual itemized contributions from law enforcement officers during the 2020 cycle. Donations less than \$200 are excluded to account for itemization discrepancies between ActBlue and WinRed. Data from OpenSecrets.org.



[Center for Responsive Politics, [6/5/20](#)]

First Six Months Of 2020: Police Unions That Received As Much As Over \$6 Million In Bailouts Spent \$150,000 Lobbying The Executive Branch On Funding And COVID Aid.

First Six Months Of 2020: International Association Of Chiefs Of Police Spent \$40,000 Lobbying The White House On Issues Including “Funding.” [Clerk of the House of Representatives and Secretary of the Senate, International Association of Chiefs of Police, Lobbying Report, [2/28/20](#); [8/26/20](#)]

- **Q1 2020: IACP Spent \$20,000 Lobbying The White House On Issues Including “Funding.”** [Clerk of the House of Representatives and Secretary of the Senate, International Association of Chiefs of Police, Lobbying Report, [2/28/20](#)]
- **Q2 2020: IACP Spent \$20,000 Lobbying The White House On Issues Including “Funding.”** [Clerk of the House of Representatives and Secretary of the Senate, International Association of Chiefs of Police, Lobbying Report, [8/26/20](#)]

First Six Months Of 2020: National Fraternal Order Of Police Spent \$110,000 Lobbying The Trump Administration On Issues Including Three COVID Aid Bills (Such As The CARES Act). [Clerk of the House of Representatives and Secretary of the Senate, National Fraternal Order of Police, Lobbying Report, [5/8/20](#), [7/22/20](#)]

- **Q1 2020: FOP Spent \$55,000 Lobbying The Trump Administration, Including On Three COVID Aid Bills (The Family First Coronavirus Response Act, CARES Act, And Paycheck Protection Program And Health Care Enhancement Act).** [Clerk of the House of Representatives and Secretary of the Senate, National Fraternal Order of Police, Lobbying Report, [5/8/20](#)]
- **Q2 2020: FOP Spent \$55,000 Lobbying The Trump Administration, Including On Three COVID Aid Bills (The Family First Coronavirus Response Act, CARES Act, And Paycheck Protection Program And Health Care Enhancement Act).** [Clerk of the House of Representatives and Secretary of the Senate, National Fraternal Order of Police, Lobbying Report, [7/22/20](#)]

2020 Cycle: Trump Was Actively Courting Endorsements From Law Enforcement Groups.

Police Officers Labor Council Highlighted The National Association Of Police Organization’s Speaking At The Republican National Convention About His Endorsement Of Trump. “NAPO President Mick McHale addressed the Republican National Convention about NAPO’s support for and decision to endorse President Donald Trump for re-election; The President signed into law S. 3607, the Safeguarding America’s First Responders Act, which establishes a presumption under the Public Safety Officers’ Benefits (PSOB) Program that an officer’s death or disability due to contracting COVID-19 is in the line of duty. This is a big victory for NAPO.” [Police Officers Labor Council, Washington Report – Aug. 28, 2020, [8/28/20](#)]

- **Los Angeles Times HEADLINE: “Union Leader Tells Republican Convention Why Cops Back Trump”** [Los Angeles Times, [8/26/20](#)]

NBC News HEADLINE: “Black Cops At Odds With Fraternal Order Of Police Over Trump Endorsement” [NBC News, [9/22/16](#)]

Fox News HEADLINE: “Trump Hoping To Get Backing Of Police Unions As Law Enforcement Concerns Mount Over Biden” [Fox News, [7/13/20](#)]

Politico HEADLINE: “Police Groups Break With Biden” [Politico, [6/4/20](#)]

Police-Affiliated Organizations Receiving COVID-19 Relief Have Vocally Supported The Trump Administration, While Criticizing Police Reform Efforts And Defending Brutality.

The “World’s Largest And Most Influential Professional Association For Police Leaders,” Which Trump Once Declared He Would Do Anything For, Took Up To \$5 Million In Government COVID Bailout Money.

International Association Of Chiefs Of Police Is “The World’s Largest And Most Influential Professional Association For Police Leaders” With “More Than 31,000 Members In Over 165 Countries. “The International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) is the world’s largest and most influential professional association for police leaders. With more than 31,000 members in over 165 countries, the IACP is a recognized leader in global policing, committed to advancing safer communities through thoughtful, progressive police leadership.” [International Association of Chiefs of Police, Accessed [8/31/20](#)]

- **IACP On George Floyd Protests: “Officers Throughout The Country Deserve Recognition For Their Efforts To Contain The Purposeful And Directed Agitation. The Officers’ Unwavering Courage And Dedication To Public Service Is A Credit To Them And Emblematic Of The True Values Of The Policing Profession.”** [International Association of Chiefs of Police, Blog Post, [5/31/20](#)]
 - **New York Times, May 31, 2020, HEADLINE: Facing Protests Over Use Of Force, Police Respond With More Force”** [New York Times, [5/31/20](#)]
- **IACP Defended Kenosha Police Department’s Lack Of Body Cameras In The Wake Of The Jacob Blake Shooting.** “But the ongoing storage costs are significant as cities face budget crises during the coronavirus pandemic and many critics push for cuts to police departments, said Steven Casstevens, president of the International Association of Chiefs of Police.” [WTTW, [8/25/20](#)]
 - **WTTW HEADLINE: “Kenosha Delayed Body Cameras For Years Before Blake Shooting”** [WTTW, [8/25/20](#)]

Trump Has Given Remarks At The International Association Of Chiefs Of Police At Least Twice Since 2018, Once Declaring “For You Guys, Anything I Can Do, I’ll Do.” [White House, Remarks by President Trump at International Association of Chiefs of Police, [10/8/18](#); White House, Remarks by President Trump at the International Association of Chiefs of Police Annual Conference and Exposition | Chicago, IL, [10/28/19](#)]

- **Trump, 2018, On New IACP Board President Paul Cell: “I Have A Lot Of Respect For The Chief; I Know The Chief [...] For You Guys, Anything I Can Do, I’ll Do.”** TRUMP: “I also want to thank the board of IACP, and congratulations to your incoming President, Chief Paul Cell. Where is Chief? (Applause.) Chief. Good, Chief. I have a lot of respect for the Chief; I know the Chief. That means I guess I have to be here next year, Chief. Is that right? (Laughter.) Looking like that, right? That’s okay. For you guys, anything I can do, I’ll do.” [White House, Remarks by President Trump at International Association of Chiefs of Police, [10/8/18](#)]
- **2019: Trump Was Introduced By Cell And Called Him His “Friend For A Long Time.”** TRUMP: Thank you. Thank you, Paul. You’ve been my friend for a long time.” [White House, Remarks by President Trump at the International Association of Chiefs of Police Annual Conference and Exposition | Chicago, IL, [10/28/19](#)]
- **Leadership For IACP And The Fraternal Order Of Police Were Invited To Be On-Stage With Trump As He Signed The “Commission On Law Enforcement.”** TRUMP: “Now, I would like to invite the Attorney General of the United States and the IACP and FOP leadership to join me on stage while I sign our new Commission on Law Enforcement.” [White House, Remarks by President Trump at the International Association of Chiefs of Police Annual Conference and Exposition | Chicago, IL, [10/28/19](#)]

Multiple Chapters Of The Fraternal Order Of Police, Which Praised Trump For Doing His “Damndest To Get Us What We Need” During The Pandemic, Received Up To \$1.4 Million In Government COVID Bailouts.

FOP Is The “World’s Largest Organization Of Sworn Law Enforcement Officers” - Chapters In Philadelphia And Santa Fe Received COVID Bailout Money

Fraternal Order Of Police Is The “World’s Largest Organization Of Sworn Law Enforcement Officers, With More Than 354,000 Members In More Than 2,100 Lodges.” “The Fraternal Order of Police is the world’s largest organization of sworn law enforcement officers, with more than 354,000 members in more than 2,100 lodges. We are the voice of those who dedicate their lives to protecting and serving our communities. We are committed to improving the working conditions of law enforcement officers and the safety of those we serve through education, legislation, information, community involvement, and employee representation. No one knows the dangers and the difficulties faced by today’s police officers better than another officer, and no one knows police officers better than the FOP.” [Fraternal Order of Police, Accessed [8/31/20](#)]

- **Philadelphia Lodge No. 5, Fraternal Order Of Police Received Up To \$1 Million In PPP Money.** [Accountable.US, COVIDBailoutTracker.com, Accessed [8/31/20](#)]
- **Philadelphia Police Home Association Was Affiliated With Fraternal Order Of Police And Took Up To \$350,000 In PPP Money.** [Accountable.US, COVIDBailoutTracker.com, Accessed [8/31/20](#); GuideStar, Accessed [8/31/20](#)]
 - **The Philadelphia Fraternal Order Of The Police Home Association Is A “Separate Nonprofit Which Maintains A Lodge Used For The Philadelphia Fraternal Order’s Union Meetings.”** “The latter organization is a separate nonprofit which maintains a lodge used for the Philadelphia Fraternal Order’s union meetings.” [Philly Voice, [7/11/20](#)]
- **Fraternal Order Of Police Santa Fe Lodge #3 Took \$97,000 In EIDL Funding.** [Accountable.US, COVIDBailoutTracker.com, Accessed [8/31/20](#)]

National FOP Endorsed Trump In 2016, And This Year Praised Trump Doing His “Damndest To Get Us What We Need,” Highlighting His Administration’s Availability To Their Pandemic Needs

September 2016, Washington Post HEADLINE: “Fraternal Order of Police Unions Endorses Trump”
[Washington Post, [9/16/16](#)]

April 2020: National FOP Praised Trump For His “Steadfast, Unapologetic Support Of Law Enforcement, Especially During The Dark Early Days Of The #COVID19 Pandemic,” Highlighting How The Administration Had Been “Totally Available, Listened To Our Needs, And ... Done Your Damndest To Get Us What We Need.” “Thank you, President Donald J. Trump, for your steadfast, unapologetic support of law enforcement, especially during the dark early days of the #COVID19 Pandemic. From day one of the crisis, you and your team at the White House, DOJ, DHS, Labor and the NIH have been totally available, listened to our needs, and you have done your damndest to get us what we need. As our 351,000 rank and file members roll out 24/7 to protect and serve this great Nation, it’s great to know that President Donald Trump has their back - thank you!” [Facebook, National Fraternal Order of Police, [4/28/20](#)]



[Facebook, National Fraternal Order of Police, [4/28/20](#)]

National FOP Endorsed Trump’s “Operation Legend”

July 2020, National FOP Headline: “FOP Supports President Trump’s Operation Legend” [National Fraternal order of Police, [7/23/20](#)]

Fraternal Order Of Police Lodge No. 5 Philadelphia, Which Has A History Of Fighting Reform For Dirty Cops, Received Up To \$1 Million In PPP Funds While The Philadelphia Fraternal Order of the Police Home Association Received Up To \$350,000

“The Fraternal Order Of Police Represents 14,000 Active And Retired Officers Of The Philadelphia Police And Sheriff’s Department.” “We are the labor union for Police Officers and Sheriffs in the city of Philadelphia. The Fraternal Order of Police represents 14,000 Active and Retired officers of the Philadelphia Police and Sheriff’s Department. We vigilantly and vigorously protect, promote and improve the working conditions, legal rights, salary compensation, pensions & benefits of Philadelphia Police Officers and Deputy Sheriffs.” [Philadelphia Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #5, Accessed [8/31/20](#)]

- **Fraternal Order Of Police Lodge No. 5 Represents 6,500 Active-Duty Officers.** [Philadelphia Inquirer, [6/19/20](#)]

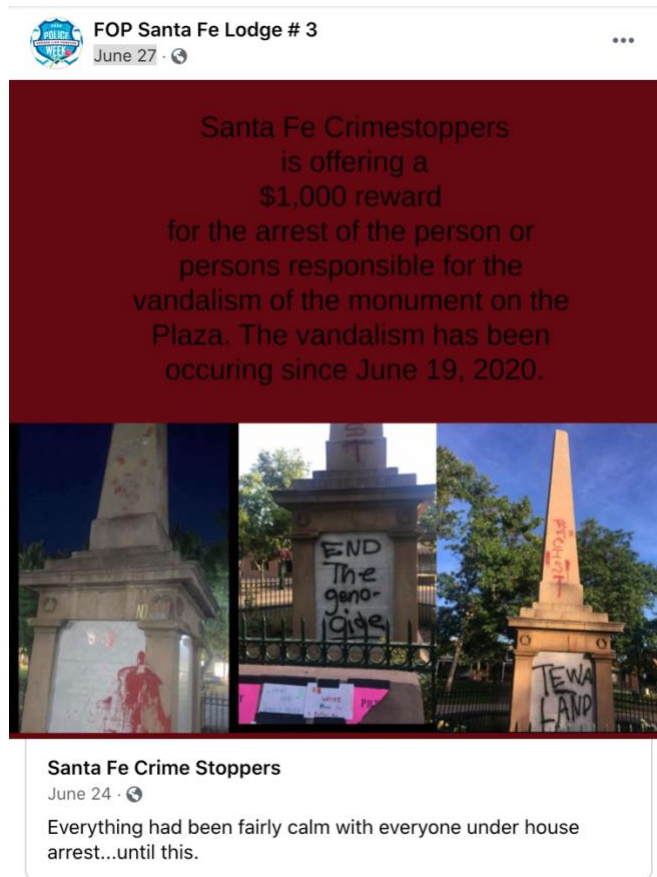
- **2018: FOP No. 5 Took In \$7.6 Million In Revenue.** “In 2018, the union took in \$7.6 million in revenue, including \$5.9 million from membership dues, according to its most recent federal nonprofit filing. That year, it spent \$6.6 million, including \$2.4 million on staff expenses and \$1.7 million on benefits paid out to or on behalf of members.” [Philadelphia Inquirer, [6/19/20](#)]

June 2020: President Of FOP No. 5 John McNesby In Philadelphia Said The Murder Of George Floyd Did Not Mean The Union Would Allow Reform “To Get Shoved Down Our Throats.” ““Law enforcement across the country is suffering because of those couple of a-holes in Minneapolis — and you can quote me on that — choking the life out of a guy,’ he said. ‘Now the reform talk is kicked back up again. I have zero problem with sitting down and discussing anything with anybody.’ [...] That’s not to say, though, that the FOP will roll over and allow reforms ‘to get shoved down on our throats,’ he said.” [Philadelphia Inquirer, [6/19/20](#)]

- **McNesby: “Law Enforcement Across The Country Is Suffering Because Of Those Couple Of A-Holes In Minneapolis.”** MCNESBY: “Law enforcement across the country is suffering because of those couple of a-holes in Minneapolis — and you can quote me on that — choking the life out of a guy.” [Philadelphia Inquirer, [6/19/20](#)]
- **The Year Prior, McNesby “Dismissed The Idea Of A State Law Enforcement Licensing Board Being Given More Power To Remove Bad Cops From Circulation.”** “It’s a notable shift for McNesby, who just a year ago dismissed the idea of a state law enforcement licensing board being given more power to remove bad cops from circulation.” [Philadelphia Inquirer, [6/19/20](#)]
- **“The FOP Has Long Stood Out For Its Ability To Shrug Off Mayors And Police Commissioners Who Have Accused The Union Of Being A Critical Obstacle To Weeding Out Corruption And Regaining The Public’s Trust.”** [Philadelphia Inquirer, [6/19/20](#)]
- **2011 To 2019: Of 170 “Previously Confidential Arbitration Opinions,” FOP No. 5 “Successfully Fought To Have Police Discipline Overturned Or Reduced About 70% Of The Time, Even In Some Instances Where Internal Affairs Investigators Determined That Officers Had Committed Crimes.”** “An Inquirer investigation last year, based on 170 previously confidential arbitration opinions between 2011 and 2019, found that the FOP successfully fought to have police discipline overturned or reduced about 70% of the time, even in some instances where Internal Affairs investigators determined that officers had committed crimes.” [Philadelphia Inquirer, [6/19/20](#)]
- **In The Wake Of George Floyd’s Murder, McNesby Called Giving Up Arbitration On Police Discipline “Insane.”** “McNesby expects to meet with state FOP officials next week, but hasn’t yet been presented with any of the legislative proposals being bandied about. There is room for some compromises, he said, but giving up the protections that are granted to officers through Act 111 isn’t one of them. “That’s insane,” he said.” [Philadelphia Inquirer, [6/19/20](#)]
- **Philadelphia Inquirer HEADLINE: “Philly’s Police Union Spent Decades Amassing Power. Reforms Could Cut Its Clout”** [Philadelphia Inquirer, [6/19/20](#)]

Santa Fe’s Fraternal Order of Police, Plagued With Pre-Existing Financial Woes After Accusations Of Corruption, Received Nearly \$100,000 In Government Bailout Money Under The Economic Injury Disaster Loan Program

June 2020: FOP Santa Fe Lodge #3 Shared A Santa Fe Crime Stoppers Post Advertising A \$1,000 Reward For “The Arrest Of The Person Or Persons Responsible” For Anti-Racism “Vandalism.” [Facebook, Santa Fe Lodge #3, [6/27/20](#)]



[Facebook, Santa Fe Lodge #3, [6/27/20](#)]

April 2012: Suspected Embezzlement Within The Santa Fe Fraternal Order Of Police Led To A Criminal Investigation And “Caused Significant Financial Woes For The Local Lodge.” “A suspected embezzlement scheme at Santa Fe’s Fraternal Order of Police has led to a criminal investigation and caused significant financial woes for the local lodge.” [Albuquerque Journal, [4/15/12](#)]

April 2019, Santa Fe New Mexican HEADLINE: “Nearly Dislodged, Santa Fe Fraternal Order Of Police Struggling To Keep Gathering Space” [Santa Fe New Mexican, [4/14/19](#)]

Southern States Police Benevolent Association, Which Endorsed Trump’s Ticket In 2020, “Stood With Law Enforcement” In The Wake Of The George Floyd Murder.

UPCOMING: Pence To Accept SSPBA Endorsement In North Carolina On September 3

September 3, 2020: Mike Pence Was Scheduled To Appear In Cary, NC, To Accept SSPBA’s Endorsement. “On Thursday, Pence will be in the Triangle to take part in an anti-abortion event and tour a pregnancy center in Raleigh. He will also stop in Cary to accept the endorsement of the Southern States Police Benevolent Association.” [WRAL, [8/31/20](#)]

Southern States Police Benevolent Association, Which Represented Officers Across A Dozen States, Took As Much As \$2 Million In PPP

Southern States Police Benevolent Association Took Up To \$2 Million Under PPP. [Accountable.US, COVIDBailoutTracker.com, Accessed [8/31/20](#)]

- **SSPBA Is “Of More Than 60,000 Law Enforcement Officers Employed By Federal, State, County And Municipal Governments.”** “The Southern States Police Benevolent Association, Inc. is composed of more than 60,000 law enforcement officers employed by federal, state, county and municipal governments. This professional association, funded by membership dues and citizen contributions, provides legal, disciplinary and other representation to officers who are members. The Southern States Police Benevolent Association is ‘The Voice of Law Enforcement Officers.’” [Southern States Police Benevolent Association, Accessed [8/31/20](#)]
- **SSPBA Included State Divisions For Almost A Dozen Southeastern States.** This includes Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana Division, Mississippi Division, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia. [Southern States Police Benevolent Association, Accessed [8/31/20](#)]

In The Weeks Following The George Floyd Murder, SSPBA Seemingly Defended Law Enforcement As They Engaged Violently With Civilians

June 1, 2020: Days After The George Floyd Murder, And As Violent Encounters With Police Engulfed The Nation, SSPBA Released A Statement Standing With Law Enforcement. “We stand with the men and women of law enforcement who are dedicated to the noble cause of protecting and serving all members of communities large and small across our great nation. We know the pride that so many officers feel when they put on that badge, and we understand the weight that so many carry as they work. They balance their safety with daily duties to make our streets safe, acknowledge the rights of all Americans, and keep citizens from harm. SSPBA is proud to support the law enforcement officers who professionally serve all citizens.” [Southern States Police Benevolent Association, [6/1/20](#)]

- **June 1 Marked The Seventh Day Of Protests Over The Murder Of George Floyd; Violent Police Encounters In Southern Cities Continued.** “Protesters staged large-scale demonstrations across the country on Sunday, expressing outrage at the death of George Floyd in Minneapolis and, more broadly, anger at police brutality. Some cities, including Minneapolis, Atlanta and Louisville, saw clashes with police, buildings and cars set afire, and looting. By evening, many demonstrations had given way to another night of violence and destruction, with protesters ignoring curfews imposed in dozens of cities. Police used tear gas and stun grenades and fired rubber bullets in attempts to disperse the crowds.” [National Public Radio, [6/1/20](#)]

June 19, 2020: SSPBA “Spoke Out ... Regarding The Environment That Law Enforcement Officers Are Currently Working In And Concerns Over Rushes To Judgment And Second-Guessing Of Actions Taken By Officers.” Southern States Police Benevolent Association, Press Release, [6/19/20](#)

- **“Police Officers Don’t Give Up Their Constitutional Rights When They Put On Their Badge.”** [Southern States Police Benevolent Association, Press Release, [6/19/20](#)]

Houston Police Officers’ Union, Whose President Less Than A Year Ago Threatened To Use The Police Force To Monitor And Harass Dissident “Dirtbags,” And This Year Vehemently Defended An “Execution” Killing Of A Man Experiencing A Mental Health Crisis, Took Up To \$350,000 In PPP Money.

Houston Police Officers’ Union Took As Much As \$350,000 In PPP Funds.

Houston Police Officers’ Union Took Up To \$350,000 Under PPP. [Accountable.US, COVIDBailoutTracker.com, Accessed [8/31/20](#)]

October 2019: Houston Police Union President Declared “We Are Sick And Tired Of Having Dirtbags Trying To Take Our Lives” And Threatened To “Keep Track” Of Those “Spreading The Rhetoric That Police Officers Are The Enemy”

October 2019, Houston Police Officers’ Union President Joe Gamaldi: “We Are Sick And Tired Of Having Targets On Our Back. We Are Sick And Tired Of Having Dirtbags Trying To Take Our Lives.” “We are sick and tired of having targets on our back,” Gamaldi said. “We are sick and tired of having dirtbags trying to take our lives when all we’re trying to do is protect this community and protect our families.” [KTRK, [10/6/19](#)]

- **Gamaldi: “Enough Is Enough. If You’re The Ones Out There Spreading The Rhetoric That Police Officers Are The Enemy, Well Just Know We’ve All Got Your Number Now. We’re Going To Be Keeping Track On All Of Y’all, And We’re Going Make Sure To Hold You Accountable Every Time You Stir The Pot On Our Police Officers.”** “Enough is enough. If you’re the ones out there spreading the rhetoric that police officers are the enemy, well just know we’ve all got your number now,” Gamaldi said. “We’re going to be keeping track on all of y’all, and we’re going to make sure to hold you accountable every time you stir the pot on our police officers.” [KTRK, [10/6/19](#)]

April 2020: Viral Video Shows Multiple Houston Police Shooting And Killing A Man Who Was Mid-Mental Health Crisis And Already On His Knees ...

April 2020: Houston Police Shot And Killed Nicholas Chavez, Who Was Having A Mental Health Crisis, Sparking A Viral Video. “Two days after Houston police shot and killed his son outside a Mexican restaurant along a freeway on April 21, Joaquín Chavez got a text message that made his heart race. Someone had posted a cellphone video of the shooting online, and now it was spreading on social media. [...] Nicolas’ death attracted no national media attention while many states were in COVID-19 lockdowns. But it has since drawn increased scrutiny from local activists and reporters after George Floyd’s killing in Minneapolis last month sparked nationwide protests and calls for sweeping police reforms. The disturbing footage of multiple officers firing on a wounded man—who according to his family was in the midst of a mental health crisis—highlights a broader debate raging in the wake of Floyd’s killing, about whether armed police should even be asked to respond to such calls.” [Texas Tribune, [6/19/20](#)]

- **Contrary To Police Reports, Chavez Was On His Knees When Multiple Officers Around Him Open Fire.** “Up until that moment, he only knew what police had said in their official statement. They had reported that his son, Nicolas, 27, who had a history of mental illness and drug addiction, had been darting in and out of traffic and holding a sharp piece of rebar, possibly trying to kill himself. After officers arrived that night they said Nicolas, a father of three, repeatedly charged at them, and at one point, got hold of one of their stun guns. ‘Fearing for their lives,’ the statement said, repeating a phrase used often by police to justify deadly force, ‘officers discharged their duty weapons.’ Although these moments were captured on dozens of body cameras worn by officers who responded to the scene, those videos were not shared with the public. [...] The video shows his son on his knees, with several officers standing around him, guns drawn. Having already been shot at least once at that point, according to police, Nicolas appears to grab something near his chest, possibly the probe of one of the stun guns that officers had fired at him. Then, suddenly, a flurry of gunshots ring out.” [Texas Tribune, [6/19/20](#)]
- **Chavez’s Father Called The Killing An “Execution,” Saying “They Just Mowed Him Down Like A Dog.”** “Instead, Chavez, 51, was learning the gruesome details from the cellphone video, filmed by a resident from across the street and later posted to YouTube. It appeared to show something different than what police had described, Chavez said. He dropped out of his chair as he watched the 47-second clip. Then he got angry. ‘It was an execution,’ he said. [...] ‘They just mowed him down like a dog,’ Chavez said Monday, standing at the site of his son’s killing nearly two months later. ‘That’s what they did, and that’s the part I don’t understand. He was on his knees, already wounded. He wasn’t a threat to anybody at that point.’” [Texas Tribune, [6/19/20](#)]

- **Texas Tribune HEADLINE: “It Was An Execution’: Nicolas Chavez Was On His Knees When Houston Police Killed Him. His Father Wants Answers.”** [Texas Tribune, [6/19/20](#)]

... But The Union, Which Never Released Body Camera Footage, Claimed The Officers “Showed Tremendous Restraint,” But That The Victim “Backed These Officers Into A Corner.”

The Houston Police Officers’ Union Released A Statement On The Video, Claiming It Was Misleading And That Chavez Was Attempting “Suicide By Cop” And “It Is Very Unfortunate That The Individual Backed These Officers Into A Corner.” [Houston Police Officers’ Union, Press Release, [4/xx/20](#)]

- **Union: The Officers “These Officers Showed Tremendous Restraint. They Followed The Law, They Followed Their Training, And Did Exactly What Is Expected Of Them As Houston Police Officers.”** [Houston Police Officers’ Union, Press Release, [4/xx/20](#)]
- **Union: “It Was Clear That Mr. Chavez’s Goal That Night Was For Our Officers To Shoot Him. They Did Everything They Could To Try To Avoid That, But Ultimately Mr. Chavez’s Determination To Back Them Into A Corner And Threaten Them ... Forced Them To Take Necessary Action.”** [Houston Police Officers’ Union, Press Release, [4/xx/20](#)]

July 2020: ACLU Of Texas Called For Houston Police Union To Publicize Its Contract Negotiations.

July 2020, ACLU HEADLINE: “ACLU Of Texas Calls For Houston Police Union Contract Negotiations To Be Public” [American Civil Liberties Union of Texas, [7/1/20](#)]

The New York State Correctional Officers And Police Benevolent Association Rejected Increased Police Discipline Saying, “We’re Not The Bad Actors”; They Received Up To \$350,000 In Federal COVID Bailout Money.

NYSCOPA, Which Represents “More Than 20,000 Uniformed Officers In New York’s Prisons,” Took Up To \$350,000 In PPP Funds.

New York State Correctional Officers And Police Benevolent Association Took Up To \$350,000 Under PPP. [Accountable.US, COVIDBailoutTracker.com, Accessed [8/31/20](#)]

- **NYSCOPBA Is New York’s “Powerful Corrections Officer Union,” Representing “More Than 20,000 Uniformed Officers In New York’s Prisons.”** “But now the state’s powerful corrections officer union says the changes are misguided — making their jobs and whole prisons more dangerous. "It's creating dire circumstances and unhealthy environments for the rest of the inmate population, and more importantly, the staff," said Mike Powers who heads NYSCOPBA, which represents more than 20,000 uniformed officers in New York’s prisons.” [North Country Public Radio, [4/3/17](#)]

2017: “NY Corrections Officers Reject New Discipline Rules, Oppose Solitary Confinement Reform”

NYSCOPBA Opposed Solitary Confinement Reform And Voted Down A Contract That “Would Have Strengthened Disciplinary Rules For Officers,” Saying Violence And Misconduct Reports Were Isolated Incidents And “We’re Not The Bad Actors.” “Mike Powers, the head of the union, said his members have also decided to fight other proposed reforms, voting down a state contract offer last month that would have strengthened disciplinary rules for officers. [...] The New York Times and other media outlets, including North Country Public Radio, have reported cases of alleged violence and misconduct involving corrections officers. Powers says those are isolated incidents that shouldn’t shape the state’s new contract with his members. ‘The governor's office insisted that there be an aspect of discipline put in. We're not going to tolerate that. We're not the bad actors.’” [North Country Public Radio, [4/3/17](#)]

- **2017, North Country Public Radio HEADLINE: “NY Corrections Officers Reject New Discipline Rules, Oppose Solitary Confinement Reform”** [North Country Public Radio, [4/3/17](#)]

2018: NYSCOPBA Has Divisibly Campaigned To “Demonize Prison Reform,” Arguing Against The Restoration Of Voting Rights.

2018: NYSCOPBA Launched A “Cynical Propaganda Effort ... To Stymie And Demonize Prison Reform,” Including Restoration Of Voting Rights And Increased Internet Access For Inmates. “The ad blitz is the latest cynical propaganda effort by a major law enforcement union to stymie and demonize prison reform by drawing on menacing and unsubstantiated claims that frame “dangerous criminals” as irredeemable threats — people that are apart from and in conflict with ‘the public.’ The campaign asks the public to call the governor’s office and urge him to reverse its criminal justice reform policies, including giving 35,000 parolees the right to vote and providing prisoners with tablet computers. Like fellow New York law enforcement union, the New York City Patrolmen’s Benevolent Association, the NYSCOPBA campaign decried parole reform that has assisted the release on parole of elderly prisoners, convicted decades ago, as ‘cop killers.” [The Intercept, [8/14/18](#)]

- **The Intercept HEADLINE: “Police Unions’ Opposition To Prison Reform Is About More Than Jobs – It’s About Racism”** [The Intercept, [8/14/18](#)]

Groups Directly Affiliated With Historically Brutal LAPD Took Up To Nearly \$1.5 Million In COVID Bailout Money.

Groups Directly Affiliated With Los Angeles Police Department Received Nearly \$1.5 Million In PPP Funds.

The Police Executive Research Forum (PERF) Received Up To \$1 Million In PPP Funds. [Accountable.US, COVIDBailoutTracker.com, Accessed [8/31/20](#)]

- **Los Angeles Police Department Chief Michael Moore Serves As An Appointed Member At Large Of The PERF Board Of Directors.** [Police Executive Research Forum, Accessed [8/31/20](#)]

Los Angeles Police Revolver & Athletic Club Took Up To \$350,000 In PPP Funds. [Accountable.US, COVIDBailoutTracker.com, Accessed [8/31/20](#)]

- **Los Angeles Police Revolver & Athletic Club Was Part Of The Los Angeles Police Academy.** “LAPRAAC’s Mission is to encourage the highest level of professional law enforcement skills by providing athletic, educational, marksmanship, physical fitness, facilities, recreation and social activities to benefit all members of the Los Angeles Police Department. [...] LAPRAAC Facilities: The Los Angeles Police Academy is located in the picturesque Elysian Park area of Los Angeles. Located in this unique training site of the Los Angeles Police Department are the Los Angeles Police Revolver and Athletic Club (LAPRAAC) Facilities.” [Los Angeles Police Revolver & Athletic Club, Accessed [9/1/20](#)]

The William H. Parker Los Angeles Police Foundation Took \$89,900 In EIDL Funds. [Accountable.US, COVIDBailoutTracker.com, Accessed [8/31/20](#)]

- **Founded In 1966 As A Memorial To Police Chief William H. Parker, The Foundation’s “Purpose Is To Advance Professionalism Within The Los Angeles Police Department By Funding Specialized Law Enforcement Training And By Purchasing The Latest Technological Equipment For Law Enforcement Purposes.”** “Founded in October 1966, as a memorial to Police Chief William H. Parker, the Parker Foundation’s purpose is to advance professionalism within the Los Angeles Police Department by funding specialized law enforcement training and by purchasing the latest technological equipment for law enforcement purposes.” [Los Angeles Police Department, The Parker Foundation, Accessed [9/1/20](#)]

- **Parker “Molded LAPAD’s Modern Day Doctrine And Image, Hiring Marines As Drill Instructors And Embracing A Para-Military Police Model That Would Earn The Force Both Fame And Infamy.”** “Chief William H. Parker (1950-1966) molded L.A.P.D.'s modern day doctrine and image, hiring Marines as drill instructors and embracing a para-military police model that would earn the force both fame and infamy.” [PBS, Frontline, Accessed [9/1/20](#)]
- **Parker Died One Year After The Watts Riots.** “In 1965, a year before Parker died, the Watts riots offered bloody testimony-- 34 dead--to the widening gulf between the L.A.P.D. and the minority communities it policed.” [PBS, Frontline, Accessed [9/1/20](#)]

Police Executive Research Board Member And Los Angeles Police Department Chief Michael Moore Said George Floyd's Death Was On The Hands Of Looters' “As Much As It Is Those Officers.”

June 2020: LAPD Chief Michael Moore Apologized For “Misspeaking” After He Stated George Floyd's Death Was On The Hands Of Looters “As Much As It Is Those Officers.” “Los Angeles Police Chief Michel Moore has apologized for 'misspeaking' after making controversial remarks about the death of George Floyd at a press conference Monday night. But Moore was confronted by angry callers on a virtual meeting Tuesday meant to address tensions and repeatedly asked to resign. Moore was addressing the violence and looting at the protests Monday night in Los Angeles when he said, 'We didn't have protests last night, we had criminal acts, we didn't have people mourning the death of this man, George Floyd, we had people capitalizing it. His death is on their hands as much as it is those officers.'” [ABC News, [6/2/20](#)]

June 2020: Atlanta Police Foundation, Which Received As Much As \$350,000 In PPP Funds Two Months Earlier, Spent Over \$2 Million Paying Out Bonuses To “Stem Attrition And Boost Morale” Following The Shooting Of Rayshard Brooks, Who Was A Black Man, In The Back.

The Atlanta Police Foundation Received As Much As \$350,000 In PPP Funds.

April 15, 2020: Atlanta Police Foundation, Inc. Received Between \$100,000 And \$350,000 In PPP Funds. [Accountable.US, COVIDBailoutTracker.com, Accessed [8/31/20](#)]

The Atlanta Police Foundation Paid Out Over \$2 Million In Police Bonuses In Order To “Stem Attrition And Boost Morale” After An Officer Was Charged In The Fatal Shooting Of An Unarmed Black Man.

As “Part Of A Broader Effort To ‘Stem Attrition And Boost Morale,’” The Atlanta Police Foundation Paid Out More Than \$2 Million Bonuses To Atlanta Police The Day After A Large Number Began To Strike In “Protest Of Murder Charges Filed Against A Former Officer.” “One day after a number of Atlanta police officers called in sick, prompting rumors of a mass walkout in protest of murder charges filed against a former officer, a police foundation announced Thursday that it had given every officer in the city a \$500 bonus. The bonuses, which reportedly total more than \$2 million, are part of a broader effort to 'stem attrition and boost morale,' the Atlanta Police Foundation said in a statement to local media outlets.” [Washington Post, [6/19/20](#)]

- **A Large Number Of Police Had Begun Calling Out Of Work After “Fulton County District Attorney Paul L. Howard Jr. Brought Felony Murder And Other Charges Against Garrett Rolfe, The Former Officer Who Fatally Shot Rayshard Brooks, A Black Man, In The Back.”** “The discontent within the police department appeared to reach a boiling point this week after Fulton County District Attorney Paul L. Howard Jr. brought felony murder and other charges against Garrett Rolfe, the former officer who fatally shot Rayshard Brooks, a black man, in the back. Following Howard’s announcement of the charges Wednesday, an undisclosed number of Atlanta police officers called in sick just before a shift change that evening.” [Washington Post, [6/19/20](#)]

The Atlanta Police Foundation Also Planned To Replace At Least 20 Damaged Or Destroyed Department.

The Atlanta Police Foundation Also Planned To Replace At Least 20 Police Cars That Had Been Damaged Or Destroyed During Protests Across The City. "In addition to the money, which was provided through donations, the foundation also plans to replace at least 20 patrol cars that have been damaged during the ongoing protests that have consumed the city for weeks, WSB reported." [Washington Post, [6/19/20](#)]

Professional Law Enforcement Association (PLEA), Which Specializes In Legal Defense Of Law Enforcement, Took \$150,000 From EIDL.

Professional Law Enforcement Association (PLEA) Took \$150,000 From EIDL. [Accountable, COVIDBailoutTracker.com, Accessed [8/31/20](#)]

- **PLEA Provided Legal Services Exclusively For Law Enforcement Defense.** "Our mission is to provide Legal Defense and other benefit products to our members with utmost professionalism and superior service, at fair and affordable prices. To make every member feel they are in partnership with the Professional Law Enforcement Association, in servicing the men and women of law enforcement." [Professional Law Enforcement Association, [8/31/20](#)]
- **PLEA: "Law Enforcement Is Under Constant Scrutiny And Abuse."** "Law enforcement is under constant scrutiny and abuse, and the stakes are now higher than ever – and so are the costs." [Professional Law Enforcement Association, [8/31/20](#)]
- **PLEA Warned "Allegations Of Criminal Misconduct Can Cost You Thousands Of Dollars To Defend, And Even Bring Financial Ruin."** "Allegations of criminal misconduct can cost you thousands of dollars to defend, and even bring financial ruin. Protecting yourself through PLEA has always been a good idea – and now, it's an absolute necessity for you and your family." [Professional Law Enforcement Association, [8/31/20](#)]

Professional Law Enforcement Association Representing Miami-Dade County Took \$148,000 Under EIDL.

The Professional Law Enforcement Association Took Up \$148,000 In EIDL Funds. [Accountable.US, COVIDBailoutTracker.com, Accessed [8/31/20](#)]

- **Professional Law Enforcement Association Is "Not The Bargaining Agent For The Miami-Dade Police Department, But Is Affiliated With International Union Of Police Association.** "PLEA welcome the affiliation of the International Union of Police Association (IUPA) to ensure PLEA's reputation in defending those rights." [Professional Law Enforcement Association, Accessed, [8/31/20](#)]



[Professional Law Enforcement Association, Accessed [8/31/20](#)]

METHODOLOGY

Accountable.US reviewed results from [COVIDBailoutTracker.com](https://www.covidbailouttracker.com) for the following search terms and including qualitatively relevant results:

- “Police” (92 results)
- “Law Enforcement” (22 results)
- “Sheriff” (19 results)
- “Benevolent Association” (13 results)
- “Troopers” (7 results)

Relevant results included police unions, entities directly connected to police unions or for-profit or nonprofit entities solely dedicated to the training or employment of state-employed professional police officers. Accountable.US also included organizations dedicated to special police and constables and excluded organizations dedicated to private investigators, police supply stores, and those that were not associated solely with professional, state-affiliated law enforcement.

Following identification, web searches were performed for relevant controversies with a timeframe focus on summer 2020. **This document should not be treated as a comprehensive account of all controversies associated with the selected entities.**