



MINNESOTA

CRIME PREVENTION ASSOCIATION

Dear MCPA Member:

On behalf of the Board of Directors I would like to thank you for your membership in the Minnesota Crime Prevention Association (MCPA) and would like to update you on a few items that we are proud to have accomplished as a board.

Our new website is up and running and we have been diligently working on updating material and power points with current and pertinent information in our "members only" section. If you would like to contribute any material or a power point that would be beneficial to the crime prevention community, we would love to share it with our members. We are also working on replacing "Crime Bytes" with an updated e-mail version with a fresh, new look that will be sent out quarterly.

We realize the need to connect with our agencies outside the seven-county metro area and will strive to partner with them this year. We have funding available to attend our fall conference, **at no charge**. This funding was provided by a grant from the **Land O' Lakes Foundation**. You must be a member of MCPA to be eligible for this opportunity.

The board is pleased to announce we will be holding two trainings again this year. A Day Two CFMH class on Thursday, May 17th, as there are many new faces in the role of crime prevention at departments who need this training to implement CFMH in their community. Additionally, we will be hosting a Church Security and Safety seminar this summer as it is a hot topic across the state and nation. Please watch for those upcoming training opportunities.

As a member, you also can obtain our free crime prevention trading cards and discounted rates for our annual conference and trainings. We will be hosting the "Night to Unite" kick-off breakfast in April and again will be supporting the Minnesota Law Enforcement Association Explorer Program by judging the Crime Prevention scenario.

Please save the date for the fall conference that will be held on **October 15th and 16th**, at a location yet to be determined. We promise to have current topics and engaging speakers.

Lastly, we as an association know the importance of **YOU**, our members, and without **YOU** we would not be here! Crime Prevention continues to grow and change, continually providing new outreach programs in our communities. Our role, in crime prevention, has shown to be valuable and important to bringing citizens and law enforcement agencies in our communities together.

We look forward to an exciting new year in working with **YOU**, our members.

Sincerely,

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