

COMMUNITY PARTNERS PROGRAM

Medina Township Police Department

2008 - 2009



The mission of the Medina Township Police Department is to protect and serve the Community's quest for a peaceful and safe existence, free from fear, and with democratic values applied equally to all citizens.

**HELP MAKE OUR TOWNSHIP
A SAFER PLACE FOR THE
FUTURE OF OUR
COMMUNITY.**

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We are very fortunate to have people in Medina Township who still care and believe in helping others. With continued help from our current Community Partners and contributions from those businesses and residents who have not been able to give in the past but are willing to give now, we will be able to improve and continue with our current projects and also invest in new ideas you've brought forth. Listed below are some of the projects your funds helped promote:

- **Shop with a Cop** – Funds from Community Partners Program has given considerably more children the opportunity to take advantage of this program since our involvement six years ago. This program is designed to raise money to help needy children have a great Christmas. Although the program is designed to give the children a chance to buy gifts they might not otherwise afford, it's also about relationship building. We hope that by seeing police officers in a different capacity we increase children's trust and help them realize we are always there to help them.
- **Medina Meadows, Cops & Kids** – The purpose of this event is to familiarize area children with safety forces and their roles in the community. Funds have helped purchase video equipment for presentations along with safety materials and promotional items.
- **Target National Night Out** – Over 35 million people participated in America's Night out against Crime this year. Medina Township Police participated in August and was able to offer many safety handouts and literature items purchased through Community Partner Program funds.
- **Medina County Fair** – This is the first year we were able to promote Safety Awareness by renting a display booth at the fair. We were able to combine all our materials collected from various events and offer the public a wide variety of information covering all safety issues.
- **Home Depot Safety Fair** – With the combined efforts of the Medina County Health Department and Medina Township Police, we offered free child safety seat inspections. Again, with the funds from Community Partners, informational brochures and materials were handed out to the public.
- **Medina General Hospital** – For the third year in a row, we participated in the MGH Safety Fair. Using the AV equipment and software purchased with your contributions, we promoted a new presentation called Fatal Reflections®. At times, young people think that crashes due to alcohol impairment only occur to other people, at other times and in other places and never involve themselves personally. Fatal Reflections® 3.0 generates a personalized multimedia presentation in news story format as it would happen if you were personally involved.
- **"Pick-It-Up" Program** – Our second annual Litter Control Program was a huge success. We had double the participants from 2007 and picked up three times the weight in trash. Many donations were made from Community Partners which was what made this event such a success. We look forward to next year with more partners contributing.
- **YMCA Safety Event** – Many children showed up for the Halloween Themed event this year. Stranger Danger and Trick or Treating Safety was promoted using the video equipment and promotional materials purchased with your donations.
- **Head Start Safety Town** – Many parents and children attended this event as the Chief gave an extraordinary presentation on Stranger Awareness and also distributed DNA kits. If this helped even one child protect themselves from abduction or abuse, all our efforts have been worth it.
- **"Bike to Biker" Event** – With combined efforts of MTPD and Century Harley Davidson, this bicycle safety event was enjoyed by all. With your contributions, we were able to purchase 100 safety helmets and distribute them at this event.

As you can see – we have expanded our community involvement, due to the funds donated by you. Each year, our budget only allows for minimum extras and without your help, these programs would not exist. Every penny contributed has been used for equipment, promotional materials, safety information materials etc... We have less than two months left of 2008 and all of 2009 to continue our involvement in the community and keep these programs going. We have depleted our supply of promotional materials, safety literature, and give-a-ways.

We have quite a few new ideas in the works but without your contributions, they may not come to fruition. We all know the economy is not in the greatest shape at the moment but please believe that investing in our children's future is our only hope to turn things around.

2008 ACHIEVEMENTS

Booth at 2008 Medina County Fair



Funds help purchase safety booklets for kids



Child Safety Seat Checkup at Home Depot Safety Fair



2008 National Target Night Event, distributing DNA Kits.



Partners funds helped purchase safety awareness materials.



"Bike to Biker" event gave away free bicycle helmets.



Partners Funds helped purchase Presentation Equipment for all events.



Medina Meadows, "I-Safe - Internet Safety" and "Stranger Danger" presentation.



Annual "Pick it Up" keeping our community Litter Free



COMMUNITY PARTNERS PROGRAM BEGINNING TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

When you think of the police department, you may see us as the ones who react to crime, make arrests and enforce laws. Yes, that is what we do, but we need to do more. Our mission is not only to react to crime, but also to prevent crime through education. With the generous support of people like you, we will be able to continue to help make that happen. Your donations will help us work toward a brighter future by funding the resources needed for educational programs and safety events for all ages.

Most of our monetary resources go to reaction to crime. We have very limited resources to educate the public and commit resources to preventing crime. This is where the COMMUNITY PARTNER PROGRAM comes into play. We currently have several community based programs in the works and have given rise to new programs thanks to generous partners who have contributed in the past. We need your help to fund the resources needed to keep our current programs alive and to continue making our community safer.

You may pick a project or become a community partner to fund general needs that can be used in all of the projects, present and future. Please take a minute today to make a difference where you work and play. I would love to speak with you about our current projects or explore a new project or idea that you may want to see. Don't wait, get involved!

For more information on how your donation is helping to make a difference in the lives of so many in our community, we invite you to visit us on line at medinatownship@medinatownship.com and go to the Police Department link. You can also find information there on our upcoming events and much more.

Thank you again, and we look forward to continued support from previous partners and also new support from future partners.

Programs:

- The “Internet Safety Program” is running in conjunction with ICAC, Net-Smart, and I-Safe. Programs are available for parents, youth, and educators to promote Internet safety.
- Senior Citizen Safety Programs promote the safety and well-being of our seniors from financial crimes to abuse.
- Medina Twp. Police has been involved with “Shop-with-a-Cop” for six years. This program takes underprivileged children shopping at Christmas time to make a more joyous holiday.
- Drug Education Programs will help promote a drug free America.
- The Medina Township Board of Trustees established a Litter Control Program – “Pick it Up” – that will help keep our community litter free.
- DNA Kits have been distributed at numerous events such as: Medina General Hospital, Home Depot, Wal-Mart, Medina Meadows, Target, and the YMCA.
- “Bike to Biker” 2008 was our opportunity to promote Bike Safety and hand out over 100 free bike helmets.

Please fill out and send to:

Laurie Shoemaker
Medina Township Police Dept.
3801 Huffman Road
Medina, OH 44256

Yes! I would like to become a Community Partner.

Enclosed is \$1000.00
For a **Diamond** Member

Enclosed is \$500.00
For a **Gold** Member

Enclosed is \$250.00
For a **Silver** Member

Enclosed is \$125.00
for a **Bronze** Member

Enclosed is _____
As a contributing Member

Please return this form to:

*Chief David Arbogast
Medina Township Police Dept.
3801 Huffman Road
Medina, OH 44256*

I would like my Community Partners donation to go:

Where it is needed most.

“Pick-It-Up” Program

“Internet Safety” Program

Senior Citizens Programs

“Shop with a COP” Program

Drug Education Programs

“Stranger Danger”

Medina Meadows, “Cops
and kids”