



TRENTON DIOCESAN FEDERATION KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS



SHOULDER TO SHOULDER

Good Neighbor Police Community Relations Program

The Knights of Columbus Vincent T. Lombardi Council 6552 designed this program with the Middletown Police Department. It covers part of the school year and Christmas. To implement this program, it is recommended that you:

- Set up a meeting 4 months before the start of the school year and Christmas with the Police chief and if possible the Mayor.
- Let them know that the K of C has a vested interest in the community and stand shoulder to shoulder with your town's Police Department.
- Advise them that Council is looking to develop a strong bond with the police, community and the K of C.
- Advise them there are no strings attached to this program.
- The program is designed to promote a growing respect with the children and young adults in their neighborhoods.
- Advise them that your Council will provide small amounts of school supplies to the designated police representative so that each patrol car will have at least 20 pencils, 20 pens, 20 erasers, 2 calculators, 4 packages of loose-leaf paper, and any other assorted items that the children may need.
- Request from your membership donations of either cash or the listed school supplies. The dollar Stores and Staples have great sales in July and early August.
- Deliver all items 2 1/2 weeks before the start of the school year.
- Toys should be provided at Christmas.
- T-shirt and ball caps should be provided for their junior police camp.
- Set up a meeting to insure that all has been covered.

The key to success is to develop a good rapport with your local police department!



TRENTON DIOCESAN FEDERATION KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS



SHOULDER TO SHOULDER

MISSION STATEMENT

The Knights of Columbus are committed to actively and conspicuously supporting and promoting the law enforcement community.

PURPOSE

To actively and conspicuously demonstrate our solidarity and support for our brothers and sisters in law enforcement through an ongoing campaign promoting that objective

FUNDING

This is a State program which is presently being administered by the Trenton Diocese Federation. Initial funding has been secured from private sponsors together with a loan from the State Council for the initial purchase of 1050 magnetic bumper stickers. The proposed design may also be appropriate for T – shirts that could also be sold for fund raising purposes. The funds generated by the sale of these items are to be used to continue the program until sufficient working capital is available to create and promote a series of public service announcements that fulfil the mission statement.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS

Other aspects of this program would include the participation by the Knights of Columbus Color Corps at events such as the Blue Mass and promotion of The Good Neighbor Police Community Relations program. The Good Neighbor program is an effort to support a great a relationship between the police and the community. Pens, pencils, paper, crayons, calculators etc. are carried in each patrol car and when the officer encounters a child that he suspects may be on the fence or who may be from a poor family or bad environment he can talk to that child and his family and hand that child some of the school supplies that they might need. The program is currently being run by a local Council and the Middletown New Jersey Police Department.

SUMMARY

To kick off this program the Trenton Diocese Federation designed and purchased 1,050 magnetic bumper stickers with the Order's logo in juxtaposition with a generic police shield and the statement "Shoulder to Shoulder – With our Brothers in Blue". These are to be offered to Councils for \$3.50 each who can make them available for a donation of \$5.00. The funds generated by this project are to be applied to the establishment and development of an ongoing Public Service Announcement campaign promoting and supporting the law enforcement community. Councils are encouraged to utilize their portion of the proceeds to create and implement other programs that promote a positive image of law enforcement in the community.



**TRENTON DIOCESAN FEDERATION
KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS**



**SHOULDER TO SHOULDER
Magnetic Bumper Sticker
Order Form
(please print clearly)**

NAME _____

TITLE _____

COUNCIL/ASSEMBLY _____
(Please circle one)

Ship to: _____

PHONE _____

EMAIL _____

Purchase	Price per magnet	Total Due
_____	\$3.50	_____

If shipped by public carrier the shipping charges will be added to the total due.

The undersigned does hereby certify that the information provided above is accurate and that he is an officer of the named Council or Assembly and is authorized to enter into this transaction.

Date: _____

PLEASE REMIT PAYMENT TO:

Paul M. Donini
Trenton Diocese Federation
514 Latona Ave.
Ewing, NJ 08618
(609) 658-7940
pauldonini@msn.com