

# **PBG** POLICE & FIRE RESCUE FOUNDATION

*PALM BEACH GARDENS, FLORIDA*

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The Palm Beach Gardens Police Foundation Board of Directors has voted to add the Fire Rescue Department to the Foundation's mission. The Foundation will now support both the Police and Fire Rescue Departments. "We've been working closely with Chief Shannon and Chief Bryer over the past few months to make this happen. In July, the Board of Directors voted unanimously to change our mission to include support of Fire Rescue" said Irwin F. Edenzon, President of the Foundation. The new name of the Foundation is the Palm Beach Gardens Police and Fire Rescue Foundation.

The Foundation's mission is to provide financial support for training, education, equipment and community outreach. "We are so grateful for the outstanding level of community partnership and support we receive from our Police Foundation and are excited to now expand that partnership to include our Fire Rescue Department" said Clint Shannon, Chief of Police. Police and Fire Rescue personnel will have access to the Foundation's tuition reimbursement program and scholarships for family members. "We are honored to be part of the Police and Fire Rescue Foundation. We are certain that with the Foundation's support, we will be able to improve our level of service to our residents, as well as benefit our firefighters and their families. We are grateful to Chief Shannon and the Board for allowing us this great opportunity" said Keith Bryer, Chief of Fire Rescue.

Funding will be provided to support training and education programs for both Departments as well as for equipment and new technology. Community outreach programs funded by the Foundation include "Suits for Seniors" programs at Gardens and Dwyer High Schools, Ball Stars Basketball Camp and crime prevention and safety programs. For years the Foundation has supported the Police Explorers and the Board is looking forward to extending support to the Fire Explorers program Edenzon said. "All the Foundation's work over the past ten years was made possible by donations from local businesses and private citizens. We're confident the community will continue to help us serve those who serve and protect us."