



ISPA OFFICER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

I want to start out by thanking the Des Moines Police Burial Association and all the golfers that are golfing in the 22nd Annual DMPD COPS Classic golf tournament on May 30, 2025 at the AH Blank Golf Course Des Moines, Iowa. Each year they choose different organizations or causes to donate to. This year they chose the ISPA Officer Assistance Program (OAP) to receive a \$4,000 donation. This very generous donation will help us make sure we are able to help our fellow ISPA members and their families in their time of need.

The ISPA OAP was created in 2018 by the ISPA Board of Directors to help provide temporary financial aid to our members during their time of need. Since inception the OAP program has assisted over 50 ISPA members and their families, donating almost \$60,000 to them.

Unfortunately, last year the OAP program saw a record number of requests for assistance. But thanks to very generous donations from ISPA Locals (like DMPD Burial Association), ISPA Sponsors and our ISPA Members over the years, we had the funds to assist the officers and their families. This year we have seen a steady number of requests, but thankfully the total number is down a little from last year.

The Officer Assistance Program is dedicated to helping our members when unexpected events cause hardship. As anyone who has experienced a significant medical issue, been affected by a natural disaster or other tragic event(s) knows there can be hidden expenses that cause incredible stress. The ISPA Board, ISPA OAP committee members and all the members who have benefited from this program want to thank everyone for their past donations and their future support of this great program.

If you need assistance, know an ISPA member who needs assistance, or want more information about the Officer Assistance Program, it and the application can be found here- www.ispaonline.com/en/officer_assistance_program

All applications will remain confidential and will only be reviewed by the Officer Assistance Program Committee. Please submit all completed applications to ispaonline@gmail.com