# **Spotlight On Our Impact** 2023

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### LETTER FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

### **Spotlight On Impact**



In September of 2023, I began my role as Executive Director of the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department (LVMPD) Foundation. I am a nonprofit leader who does not crave the "spotlight"; rather I want to utilize my skills to make meaningful impact in our community. That is the reason for the theme of this annual impact report centering around "spotlights" and highlighting a few examples of our impact.

Law enforcement officers use their spotlights to improve visibility and signify their presence in an area. Sometimes the use of a spotlight might cause a reasonable person to feel they are the object of official scrutiny. When I began my role with the LVMPD Foundation, I was intentional about improving our own visibility to ensure we were making the most meaningful impacts possible in our greater Las Vegas area. Through our efforts of scrutinizing all of the various programs, events and initiatives that the IVMPD Foundation was offering and supporting, we found so many reasons to celebrate. And by keeping the spotlight on deepening our impact, of course, we also found opportunities for improvement and for the creation of new compelling programs and initiatives.

We celebrated the creation of our new Hispanic Giving Circle, a campaign that enables us to improve the lives of our local Latino families and strengthen their trust in law enforcement. The Hispanic Giving Circle facilitates programs and initiatives that celebrate their heritage and their contributions to our community. Through the flagship community engagement events, we served more than 109,000 people in 2023, spotlighting the partnership between LVMPD Foundation, the Office of Community Engagement, and the Community Oriented Policing teams at the Area Commands.

The various initiatives throughout 2023 to commemorate the 50th anniversary of LVMPD due to the merger of Las Vegas Police Department and Clark County Sheriff's Department in 1973 reminded our community of the rich history of the department.

I am inspired by so many people connected to the LVMPD Foundation – donors, community partners, the families and youth we serve through our programs, and of course LVMPD Sheriff Kevin McMahill and the incredible LVMPD organization – all of whom make possible our success.

Our most vulnerable neighborhoods continue to face barriers and disparities to access what most of us take for granted. The LVMPD Foundation will focus our spotlight on making meaningful community impact through supporting and fostering community relationships with local law enforcement. In doing so, we will achieve safer communities and neighborhoods where everyone can thrive. Thank you for your support.

In service,

Karen Marben EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

#### Youth Participants in **Sports Development & Empowerment** Programs

2,540

### 2,320 Attendees at **Foundation Events**

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1,450 Officers celebrated through **Recognition Programs** 



## **2023 Impact** in the Community

21,000

Attendees at

**National Night Out** 



### SPOTLIGHT ON A NEW INITIATIVE Officer Sam Diaz









Officer Sam Diaz, a seasoned member of the LVMPD, passionately serves the Spanish-speaking community through impactful initiatives. Recognizing the need for support, Officer Diaz joined forces with the LVMPD Foundation to help establish the Hispanic Giving Circle, a platform aimed at providing crucial resources to the Hispanic community.

At the forefront of Officer Diaz's efforts is the Hispanic Citizens Police Academy, a program designed to empower community members through education and engagement.

Leading the Hispanic Outreach efforts at the Office of Community Engagement, Officer Diaz goes beyond the Academy. His community engagement activities include delivering school supplies-filled backpacks, providing Thanksgiving meal kits, and facilitating shopping at events like Santa Cops and Shop with a Cop during the holidays for Spanish-speaking children and their families. The LVMPD Foundation's partnership with officers like Sam Diaz is a catalyst for positive change. Contributions to the Hispanic Giving Circle directly impact outreach, education, and community-building. The Hispanic Giving Circle stands as a beacon of hope for the Hispanic community in Las Vegas, reflecting a shared commitment to diversity, inclusion, and community well-being.

In this annual impact report, Officer Sam Diaz and the Hispanic Giving Circle take the spotlight, illustrating the positive outcomes when law enforcement and communities collaborate. The LVMPD Foundation's support extends beyond finances; it represents an investment in the community's future, aligning with Officer Diaz's determination to empower and uplift. The impact of this partnership echoes not only within the LVMPD but also in the lives of individuals and families touched by Officer Diaz's unwavering dedication.

### **COMMUNITY PARTNER SPOTLIGHT**

### Mario Berlanga Mario's Westside Market



In the heart of the Bolden community, a beacon of support and commitment shines— Mario Berlanga, the dedicated owner of Mario's Westside Market. We recognize and celebrate his unwavering dedication to the community and the positive impact he has made on youth and law enforcement.

A true community partner, Mario engages and supports the Bolden Area Command. His commitment goes beyond the walls of his market, collaborating with local law enforcement to create a safer and more secure environment for residents. This partnership demonstrates Mario's understanding of the interconnectedness between local businesses and the community's well-being.

By sponsoring the Bolden Little League, Mario invests in the youth of the community; he contributes to the development of young talent and provides a platform for them to thrive. This sponsorship fosters a sense of community and instills values such as



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teamwork, discipline, and sportsmanship among the youth.

Recognizing the challenges faced by low-income families, Mario's Westside Market has taken significant strides in addressing food insecurity. Recently renovated and expanded, the market introduced Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) and Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) support, reflecting a commitment to making fresh, healthy food accessible to all members of the community.

Mario's contributions to the Bolden community extend far beyond the shelves of his market. His involvement with law enforcement, dedication to youth development, and efforts to combat food insecurity showcase a heartfelt approach to community well-being. Mario's Westside Market, under his guidance, stands as a testament to the positive impact that businesses can have when guided by a genuine commitment to community welfare.

### **CORPORATE DONOR SPOTLIGHT**

### **Dollar Loan Center**





On a sunny Fall day, Las Vegas short-term lender Dollar Loan Center demonstrated a strong commitment to public safety by pledging a \$250,000 contribution to the Las Vegas Metro Police Department Foundation. The donation supported the LVMPD Foundation's initiative to complete the 110,000-square-foot Indoor Tactical Training Village at the Joint Emergency Training Institute (JETI).

This innovative training facility aims to provide law enforcement and first responders with a realistic environment to enhance their preparedness for various community challenges. Simulating settings such as gas stations, convenience stores, learning centers, casinos, hotel rooms, and retail outlets allows officers to practice handling emergencies, addressing potential criminal activities, and resolving conflicts for optimal outcomes.

Karen Marben, the executive director of the LVMPD Foundation, expressed gratitude for Dollar Loan Center's substantial contribution, emphasizing its positive impact on training initiatives. Marben noted, "Dollar Loan Center is not just investing in facilities; they are investing in training the skills that keep our communities safe."

Dollar Loan Center's commitment goes beyond this recent donation. In 2023, the company was honored with induction into the 100 Club, showcasing substantial support for the LVMPD Foundation.

Chuck Brennan, CEO and Founder of Dollar Loan Center, expressed pride in supporting the Las Vegas Metro Police Department and highlighted the significance of their donation in preparing officers for real-life scenarios. Brennan stated, "I am excited to see this facility come into full use and to continue supporting this incredible organization for many years to come."

Founded in Las Vegas by Chuck and Mary Brennan, Dollar Loan Center, with over 25 years in business, operates over 50 locations across Nevada, Utah, and Idaho. Their induction into the 100 Club underscores leadership support for law enforcement, contributing to LVMPD area commands, special units, equipment, training, and various community engagement programs.

## Training Excellence at JETI



On the morning of December 6, 2023, South Central Area Command Officers Jacob Noriega and Ty Vesperas were among the first responders to reports of gunfire at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV).

Upon arriving at Beam Hall, Officers Noriega and Vesperas encountered a shooting victim emerging from the building, bleeding and in need of immediate medical assistance.

The area was not secure for medical units to access, so Officers Noriega and Vesperas administered emergency medical assistance and placed a tourniquet on the shooting victim, a technique they learned at the LVMPD Joint Emergency Training Institute (JETI).

The officers then put the shooting victim in the trunk of their patrol vehicle, with Officer Noriega climbing into the trunk with the shooting victim as Officer Vesperas drove to a safe location to meet medical units. There, officers found a gunshot wound to the victim's chest. Officers Noriega and Vesperas took turns applying pressure to the victim's chest wound until paramedics arrived.

Despite the tragic loss of three lives during the incident, the heroic actions of Officers

Noriega and Vesperas ensured the survival of the fourth victim. Their composure under pressure and unwavering commitment to the safety and well-being of the community epitomize the qualities of exemplary law enforcement officers and are an example of the critical importance of welltrained officers.

Through Sheriff Kevin McMahill's leadership, the JETI is a cornerstone of officer and first responder preparedness, offering comprehensive programs tailored to address the complexities of modern-day threats, including mass casualty events.

The comprehensive medical training curriculum completed by thousands of LVMPD Officers like Officers Noriega and Vesperas, including "Stop the Bleed" training, was conducted at the JETI and was facilitated by faculty from Touro University Nevada and made possible by funding support from the Engelstad Foundation.

Moving forward, we remain steadfast in our commitment to providing innovative and comprehensive training opportunities at the JETI, empowering officers to respond effectively to any situation they may encounter on our streets.



## Joint Emergency Training Institute (JETI)





The Joint Emergency Training Institute (JETI) offers a comprehensive infrastructure to prepare law enforcement and other first responders to handle public safety challenges confidently, competently, and professionally. Through hands-on practice and feedback from instructors, trainees develop critical thinking abilities, decision-making skills, and teamwork dynamics essential for effective emergency response while encountering scenarios ranging from routine patrols and traffic stops to high-stakes crisis situations.

Reality Based Training Center includes Classrooms, Mat Rooms and Simulated Technology Room.

**Indoor Tactical Training Village** will offer 110,000 square feet of training space where law enforcement officers and other first responders are actively involved in role-playing exercises and scenario-based drills, where they must apply their skills, knowledge, and judgment to address evolving situations.

#### Other jurisdictions trained in the facility:

- · North Las Vegas Police Department
- · Dept. of Public Safety Nevada State Police
- $\cdot$  Gaming Control Board Enforcement Division
- · Drug Enforcement Administration
- · University Police Department
- · MGM Resorts Security Department

## Leilani Kimmel-Dagostino



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We are thrilled to highlight the incredible generosity and commitment of Leilani Kimmel-Dagostino. Originally from Hawaii, she is a dedicated supporter who plays a vital role in our organization's success. Leilani not only sponsors many of our signature fundraising events but also actively contributes as a volunteer with the Metro Volunteer Program (MVP).

Leilani's commitment to making a positive impact in the community is truly commendable. As a key sponsor of our signature fundraising events, she has demonstrated a passion for supporting our mission and values. Her financial contributions have played a crucial role in the success of these events, enabling us to reach new heights in our fundraising efforts and furthering our ability to make a meaningful difference.

In addition to her financial support, Leilani is a hands-on advocate for our cause. Her involvement with the Metro Volunteer Program reflects her dedication to giving back to the community in a meaningful way. As a volunteer, she invests her time, energy, and skills to actively contribute to various projects and initiatives that positively impact the lives of those Metro serves.

Donors like Leilani Kimmel Dagostino are the backbone of our organization, enabling us to continue our mission and amplify our impact. We extend our heartfelt appreciation to Leilani for her unwavering support, and we look forward to continuing our collaborative efforts to create positive change in the lives of those we serve. Thank you, Leilani, for being a beacon of generosity and kindness in our community.

## **100 Club Members** 2023





### Diamond \$500,000+

Anonymous

Horowitz Family Foundation **Platinum** \$250,000+

Las Vegas Sands Corporation



Anthem Blue Cross Blue Shield -Elevance Health Inc.

Health Plan of Nevada, Inc. Las Vegas Convention Zuffa, LLC dba UFC & Visitors Authority

Murphy Electric, Inc.

Wynn Las Vegas

### \$**50,000+** Heinrich Fa

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#### Classic Bronze \$15.000+ \$20,000+ **ANDE** Corporation Leilani Kimmel-**Resorts World** The Gratitude Project Al Industries Howard Hughes REQUORDIT Dagostino Las Vegas West Inc. Properties Inc. AXON The Michael and Siren Samsung Electronics lanice Howard **Best Mattress** International MGM Resorts Brenden Mann Foundation America Sunshine Minting Foundation Security Foundation Chainalysis, Inc. Foundation Nevada, Inc. Snow Frosty T-Mobile for Niche Caesars Entertainment Government Clark County WRAP Technology **OptumHealth** Station Casinos Financial Nevada **USA** Limited Dollar Loan Center Westgate Resorts Services Inc. Empire LLC Switch, LTD. Foundation Dataminr Palm Mortuaries. Oxford Bank Cemeteries & Greater Las Vegas The Gene Haas Wynn Employee **Fivecast** Association of Realtors Crematories Foundation Foundation

### **BOARD MEMBER SPOTLIGHT**

### **Joe Murphy**





The LVMPD Foundation proudly recognizes Joe Murphy, a dedicated member of its Board of Directors who dutifully serves as Treasurer. As the founder and CEO of Murphy Electric/NextGen, Joe's financial expertise and unwavering commitment have played a pivotal role in shaping our organization's strategies. His influence extends beyond his role as Treasurer, contributing significantly to the LVMPD Foundation's mission of supporting the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department in enhancing public safety.

Joe's strategic financial acumen is evident in the success of the Foundation's initiatives and projects. His leadership, collaborative approach, and tireless efforts have significantly strengthened our financial standing, empowering the organization to make a meaningful impact on the community.

Beyond his financial stewardship, Joe's passion for community service aligns seamlessly with the LVMPD Foundation's commitment to positive change. Joe's journey in Las Vegas reflects a deeprooted commitment to community service and philanthropy. In 1981, he served in the U.S. Air Force, and in 1989, he

founded Murphy Electric Inc., growing it into a successful enterprise known for its principles of promptness, professionalism, and service. Joe's entrepreneurial spirit led him to co-found NextGen, a company providing alarm, monitoring, and fire protection solutions nationwide.

With his wife, Julie, Joe believes in giving back to the community for its growth and success. He served on the UNLV Foundation Board of Trustees, played a role in transforming Rebel Athletics, and established a scholarship for medical education through the Kirk Kerkorian School of Medicine at UNLV.

In Joe's words, "Supporting organizations like the LVMPD Foundation is not just a commitment; it's an investment in the safety and prosperity of our community. I am proud to stand alongside those who dedicate their lives to keeping our city safe and thriving."

The LVMPD Foundation proudly shines a spotlight on an esteemed member of the Board of Directors, Joe Murphy. As the Foundation's Treasurer, Joe brings expertise and dedication to the organization.

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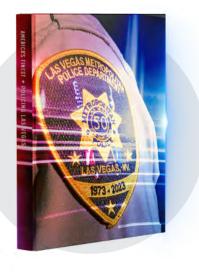
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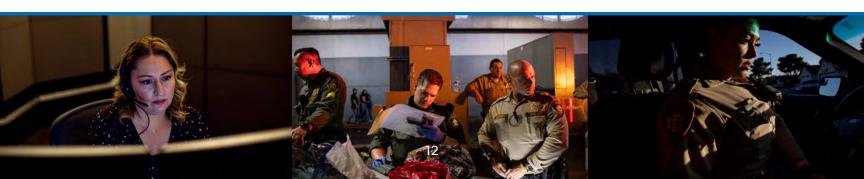
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### **256 PAGE HARDCOVER BOOK**

#### Commemorating LVMPD's 50th Anniversary

For the first time in its history, the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department has granted unprecedented access to photographers for a new hardcover book to commemorate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of The Department. America's Finest: Policing Las Vegas shows Metro from every angle and stunning images put you upfront at crime scenes and behind the scenes of special units, communications, and training that serve Las Vegas 24/7.

Proceeds from this book support the LVMPD Foundation to provide the strongest platform for public safety and LVMPD to be the best in its profession.



## **Revenue** 2023



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### 2023 Income Statement

INCOME	
Fundraising Events Revenue	\$1,798,553
Contributions - Corporations and Foundations	\$6,126,965
Contributions - Individuals	\$322,380
Other Revenue (Merchandise, license plates, dedication pavers, investment and other income)	\$623,246
Total Revenue	\$8,871,144
EXPENSES	
Program Services	\$3,704,530
Fundraising Expenses	\$1,020,487
G & A Expenses	\$388,406
Total Expenses	\$5,113,423
Net Income	\$3,757,721

### **Comparative Balance Sheet**

ASSETS	12/31/23	12/31/22
Current Assets	\$3,248,029	\$3,208,755
Long-Term Assets	\$505,076	\$505,076
Total Assets	\$3,753,105	\$3,713,830
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Short-Term Liabilities	\$236,187	\$1,948,159
Long-Term Liabilities	\$500,266	\$2,506,740
Total Liabilities	\$736,453	\$4,454,899
Unrestricted Funds	(\$243,170)	(\$4,357,037)
Temporary Restricted Funds	\$3,259,821	\$3,615,969
Total Net Assets	\$3,016,652	(\$741,068)
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$3,753,105	\$3,713,830

### **Functional Expenses**

Program Services 72% Fundraising Expenses 20%
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