



## COPS 4 CAUSES

As the Executive Director of Cops 4 Causes, it gives me great pleasure to invite you to become a supporter of Cops 4 Causes.

Cops 4 Causes was founded in 2005 by police officers seeking to reach out to the community in an effort to raise money and awareness for local programs offering services to children and adults with special needs. We also wanted to provide the people we protect and serve with the opportunity to interact with police officers and to let them see the lighter side of law enforcement with the hope of fostering stronger relationships.

Going fourth, Cops 4 Causes will seek to bring together musicians, artists, celebrities, police officers, and members of the community to produce benefit concerts that will help Cops 4 Causes raise funds for people with special needs.

Because of law enforcements long standing relationship with the Special Olympics and my family's personal loss of my sister Monique, Special Olympics Ventura County was selected to be the recipient of the funds raised by Cops 4 Causes –A Salute to Heroes. Each and every year Special Olympics Ventura County offers more than 800 athletes the opportunity to partake in Olympic style events throughout the county, free of charge.

This year Cops 4 Causes will ensure that Special Olympics Ventura County will be able to continue to serve the families of special needs individuals, many of whom are financially challenged due to the high cost of caring for their loved one. For the first time in the organizations history, Special Olympics Ventura County will have a reserve fund that will provide for the organizations financial security and allow them to expand their services.

Cops 4 Causes will continue to look to law enforcement officers, community leaders, and benefactors like you to help us accomplish our mission. In the future we are looking to broaden the scope of the organizations we benefit to include those who serve children and adults with cancer, TB, AIDS, Downs Syndrome, MS, and other life altering diseases.

This year Cops 4 Causes has embarked on becoming its own 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. We have begun to assemble a Board of Directors and are proud to be joined by Board Members Ed Summers, Vice President Affinity Bank and Donna DePaola, Law Office of Donna DePaola.

Cops 4 Causes will strive to ensure that the funds we raised will be given to organizations in a way that will ensure that the funds will only go towards specific causes and will not be used for organizations administrative cost, thus ensuring that the money we raise will be earmarked to help real people in need.

Thank you for your time, interest and support.

Respectfully,

Officer Christopher T. Landavazo  
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Executive Director / Chairman  
Cops 4 Causes