

May 8 meeting: COPPS TRAINING AT PPD

Please plan to join CSI Scott Miller Vargas on May 8 (6 pm at PPD) for our next COPPS meeting. CSI Vargas will be presenting “Innovations in Policing—Utilizing Technology to Keep our Community Safe.” Topics to be covered include cool new gear that has been recently placed in service at PPD and their vision for incorporating the new with the “old-er.” For those who like the “techy” side of police work, this will be right up your alley.

RECAP: April 10 COPPS General meeting

Thanks to all of you who participated in our discussion! We find ourselves in a time of transition which presents many opportunities to improve our communications, programs, and volunteer opportunities. We had an open and robust discussion about the current state of COPPS and had many suggestions for improvements. We had two members volunteer to meet with our current Academy class to continue building their interest in joining COPPS after they graduate. Thanks to Mark Paulson for preparing a presentation that we can share with future classes. Others voiced their interest in providing more substantial support (“volunteering with a purpose”) to PPD. Suggestions were also presented for improving our communications through this newsletter and on our website. The Board will be working on these suggestions and will be grateful for some volunteers to help.

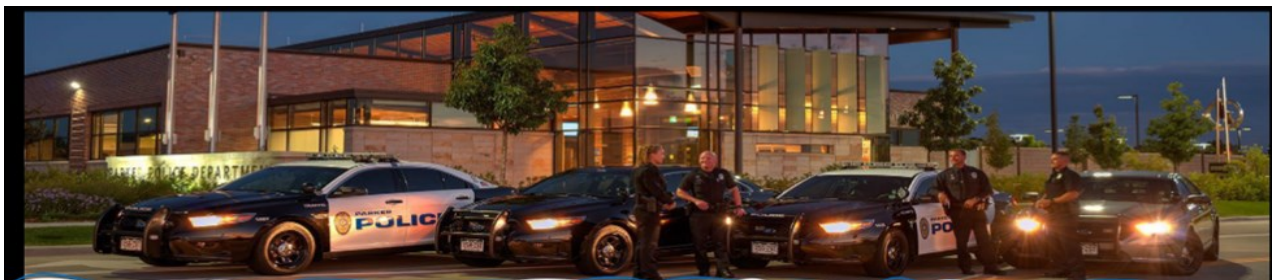
May 12-18 is Police Appreciation Week. We discussed how we can thank our officers for their service to our community and plan to provide PPD with a meal or two, as well as some home-made goodies (thank you Danielle Huntley!). More information to come on this opportunity to serve those who serve us.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

- **May 8** PPD Program at PPD
- **June 12** PPD Policy Review at PPD
- **July 10** Internal COPPS Program and elections (location to be announced).

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **May 12-18** Police Appreciation Week
- **May 15** Police Memorial Day
- **May 16, June 13** COPPS meetings with Academy participants



Citizens Offering Parker Police Support (COPPS) is a 501(c)3 non profit organization created and managed by graduates of the Parker Police Department Citizen’s Academy

PPD STAFF SPOTLIGHT:

MaryGrace Klippert



MaryGrace joined the Parker Police Department in early 2024 after coming from the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office. Her role with the department is split to include Crime Analysis and Accreditation. Her favorite part of the role is getting to work with all of the staff at the PD and understanding everyone's roles on the team. While she's only been with the team for a few months, she's already taken the opportunity to talk with members of our current Citizen's Academy about the importance of accreditation.

When not at work, MaryGrace and her husband enjoy traveling and exploring the United States.

Open Board Positions

*We need your help to fill our open board positions. **You won't be alone**—all members of the board work together to achieve the goals of COPPS. Please consider joining the board in one of the open positions. (Brief job descriptions and terms are shown below.. Terms are staggered to avoid all new board members in a single year.)*

POSITION and TERM	BRIEF JOB DESCRIPTION
President (partial term ending 2025)	Preside over all meetings, meet with PPD and board to share and consult on needs of PPD, communicate with members as needed, represent COPPS at appropriate events/functions.
Vice President (2024-2026)	Assist the president as needed, meet with President and PPD as needed, participate at volunteer events
Secretary (current term ends 2025)	Maintain minutes of all general and board meetings, coordinate meeting locations for quarterly internal COPPS meetings.
Treasurer (2024-2026)	Ensure all obligations of COPPS are approved and paid and deposits are made in a timely manner, maintain financial records of COPPS and prepare monthly financial statements to board.
Director of Communications (partial term ending 2025)	Prepare regular communications with membership through monthly newsletter, updates on website, and periodic emails.
Director of Fundraising (2024-2026)	Prioritize fundraising needs. Coordinate fundraising campaigns and contact potential donors
Director of Membership (current term ends 2025)	Promote CPPS to Academy classes, recruit members, collect dues and applications, maintain list of active members, participate in volunteer events.
Director of Programs (partial term ending 2025)	Identify and arrange programs and training for the quarterly membership meetings (not at PPD)
Director of Volunteers (2024-2026)	Coordinate with PPD representative and COPPS membership to enlist volunteers for events.

Don't forget to pay your 2024 dues. \$30 individuals, \$45 couples.

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