



2021 RECAP

Dear Volunteers and Contributors who support the Atlanta Police Department,

This letter highlights the efforts that have made a difference to the Atlanta Police Department in 2021 along with goals for 2022.

2021

1. Contributions

- Meals Delivered – Over 13,000 meals
- Christmas Coverage – Every Single Precinct was sponsored so that officers were able to present presents to their community
- Backpacks for Zones and Recruits – 800 customized backpacks

2. Photos of volunteers and APD

3. Thank you letters from the APD

2022

- Provide customized backpacks to officers in Zones 4, 5, 6 and Airport Police
- Shift the name from Backthebluebuckhead to BacktheBlueAtlanta
- Support of Graduation of APD Recruits
- Sponsor the APD Family Fun Day & Bar B Q Cookoff
- Monthly Meal Deliveries that cover all three shifts.

As FBI Director, Christopher Wray, wrote in the WSJ article “The Cops Who Didn’t Come Home” from January 12, 2022, “Let’s commit to finding ways to improve interactions between law enforcement and those they serve, holding everyone to the high standards befitting men and women in uniform, and valuing those who do their jobs with honor.”

Your efforts are making a difference in the lives of officers. You can see it in the photos and read it in the letters.

Thank you again. God Bless America and God Bless the Atlanta Police Department.

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BTBB strives to boost morale of the APD in a respectful and dignified manner through the efforts of Atlanta’s citizens.







Good morning,

I wanted to take a moment as we reflect on the upcoming Thanksgiving holiday to acknowledge the support and generosity of Back the Blue Buckhead. Over the past nearly two years Back the Blue has shown our officers encouragement and support during what were unprecedented and challenging times. This show of support was timely, well received and very much appreciated. Back the Blue has provided meals and participated in community outreach efforts such as our toy drive. These actions were taken without accolade or recognition but in the true spirit of service. It is this sense of service wherein we share a common purpose, to make our communities a safer and better place to live. Thank you seems inadequate but please know that we are sincerely grateful for all that has been and continues to be done in support of our officers and staff.

Regards,

Capt. Smythe

Good afternoon,

I spoke to Major Peek about this request. Please let me take a moment to comment to the value of the efforts of Back the Blue Buckhead.

Back the Blue Buckhead has built a very positive relationship with the department, the community and most importantly the officers serving the community greatly appreciated. Unlike other organizations that simply have items delivered by third parties, officers get to see and meet those involved first-hand captured in photos shared by all involved. This builds a real sense of trust with the officers at a time when the perception may not seem so positive.

Recently Back the Blue Buckhead visited the precinct with several members of a Boy Scout troop. The Scouts got to meet several officers while they both to recall and share with others.

It is important for officers to know that the communities they serve support and appreciate the job they do every day. Back the Blue Buckhead helps the community and the positive relationships created each time Back the Blue Buckhead visits one of the precincts that is the real value of this organization.

Thank you for all your support.

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To Whom It May Concern,

I would like to thank and acknowledge Back the Blue Buckhead for their many contributions to the Atlanta Police Academy. Back the Blue Buckhead has provided countless meals for recruits and staff. After swear-in every recruit class receives a “Go Bag” with their ID number on it, filled with items to aide them once they hit the street. They sponsored the first Atlanta Police Family Fun and Fitness Day. Whether it’s graduation receptions or Christmas gifts for a shelter, Back the Blue Buckhead continues to show their solidarity and support to the City of Atlanta, and the Atlanta Police Department. As the Academy Recruit Unit Supervisor, I understand how important it is for officers to receive support from the community, and the presence of Back the Blue Buckhead has help build morale within the academy.

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