



POLICE OFFICER INITIATED SUPPORT TO COMMUNITY MEMBERS IN TIMES OF CRISIS

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## **Angels on Patrol Receives Program Grant from West Valley Mavericks Foundation**

(Phoenix, Ariz.) Angels on Patrol is thrilled to announce that the West Valley Mavericks Foundation recently granted \$5,000 in programming dollars to support the mission of providing police officer-initiated support to community members in crisis. Law enforcement officers call on Angels on Patrol to assist when they encounter someone in crisis during the course of their duties.

"We are very thankful that the West Valley Mavericks Foundation understands the value that Angels on Patrol provides to the law enforcement community and to the citizens helped by officers each and every day," said Executive Director Melinda Cadena. "We appreciate their trust and are committed to serving the needs of our community."

The funding comes at a crucial time when nonprofits in Arizona and across the country are reporting significant losses and challenges due to COVID-19. Simultaneously, many law enforcement agencies are reporting double-digit increases in crimes such as domestic violence which often place individuals in crisis. Thanks to grants and donations, Angels on Patrol has remained operational and in service to law enforcement during the pandemic, and continues to provide relief, support and resources for citizens upon request by officers.

The West Valley Mavericks Foundation was able to fund 22 additional organizations this year over last year, and reached \$1 million in giving in 2020.

"I congratulate Angels on Patrol for the fine work they do in the community," said Jason Khan, president of the West Valley Mavericks Foundation. "This was a very competitive year and Angels on Patrol should take this grant as our endorsement of their important work and its impact on the community. We appreciate all of the hard working nonprofit organizations and we are glad to assist during this especially challenging time."



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## About Angels on Patrol

Angels on Patrol was founded in 2009 by Phoenix Police Lt. Jacqui MacConnell after rescuing three children in one of the most horrific abuse cases she had ever experienced in her career as a police officer.

Since then, more than 17,000 lives have been touched by Angels on Patrol, with approximately 2,300 people helped each year in cities across the Valley.

In addition to crisis support, Angels on Patrol also provides youth enrichment and connects community members with ongoing services to assist them as they get back on their feet.

Angels on Patrol now serves 13 law enforcement agencies in Arizona including police departments in the cities of [Avondale](#), [Buckeye](#), [Glendale](#), [Goodyear](#), [Mesa](#), [Paradise Valley](#), [Peoria](#), [Phoenix](#), [Tempe](#), [Scottsdale](#), [Surprise](#), and the [Arizona Department of Public Safety](#) and [Maricopa County Sheriff's Office](#).

## About the West Valley Mavericks Foundation



[The West Valley Mavericks Foundation](#) has existed since 2012 with a mission “to assist children and families, help people in need and improve the quality of life in our West Valley communities.”

The organization’s members fundraise to support numerous West Valley charities, working closely with dozens of local organizations, individuals, and generous business sponsors “to advance charity, culture, community, and commerce in the West Valley of Phoenix, Arizona.”

## To Learn More About Angels On Patrol

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