



Aurora Police Association

Shop with a Cop Event

The Aurora Police Association Charitable Foundation is proud to announce our 2021 “*Shop with a Cop*” Back to School Event.

Due to the COVID-19 impact on our society, we are prioritizing our efforts to help those in our community, especially during these exceedingly difficult times. We are emphasizing caution to not potentially expose anyone to COVID-19 through the accidental transmission of the virus. But we are not giving up on our efforts to meet the needs of our incredibly special children. The program is designed to unite Aurora police officers and public safety employees with local disadvantaged children for a special day of shopping. Each child is guaranteed new shoes, several outfits of clothing, and a backpack filled with school supplies. Children and families will be carefully selected and screened by a committee of local law enforcement officers to reach those most in need.

Approximately \$200 will be spent on each child. Our goal is to sponsor as many children as possible through the support of donations from our citizens and businesses here in Aurora. Contributions directly benefit the “*Shop with a Cop*” program but can also be used at the Aurora Police Association Charitable Foundation’s discretion for other community programs as appropriate.

The Aurora Police Association Charitable Foundation believes this to be a worthwhile program, one that will benefit the children and families of Aurora. We know that as a society, we must do all we can to support the less fortunate, especially the children. This event is a wonderful opportunity for police officers and kids alike, allowing them to interact and break down the barriers that often exist, and building a better, more trusting relationship between children and law enforcement. Our goal is to not only financially help these children, but to let them know they have someone to turn to when faced with a potential crisis. This makes our community safer for everyone!

We anticipate a significant funding decrease in the wake of this pandemic. To that end, we are working hard to make a successful event safe for everyone while still meeting the goals of this program. Please continue to join us and give what you can to help our children at this time of anxiety and stress; helping them continue their very important education. The APACF strongly believes that we will make a difference in the lives of our children and families here in Aurora and the surrounding communities. We are grateful for your consideration and support to this event as we strive to help the surrounding community.

Sincerely,

Judy Lutkin
President
Aurora Police Association Charitable Foundation