

Who We Are:



About Us

The Ohio Association of Public Safety Directors is an organization dedicated to our public safety forces and the individuals who run them.

Our communities are rural and urban, large and small, and everything in between.

OAPSD's goal is to advocate for our police and fire to the Ohio Legislature, network among peers, and receive training to better perform our key role in providing our communities the effective, functional and utilitarian services they deserve.

We serve both the statutory fulfillment and the practical designation of the role of a Municipal Director of Public Safety.

OAPSD & OML:

OAPSD is an affiliate of the Ohio Municipal League.

The Ohio Municipal League exists to effectively advocate for cities and villages at the state level, to inspire and inform on best practices within municipalities, and to work alongside government, business, non-profit, and educational leaders – all of whom are important partners in creating stronger Ohio communities.

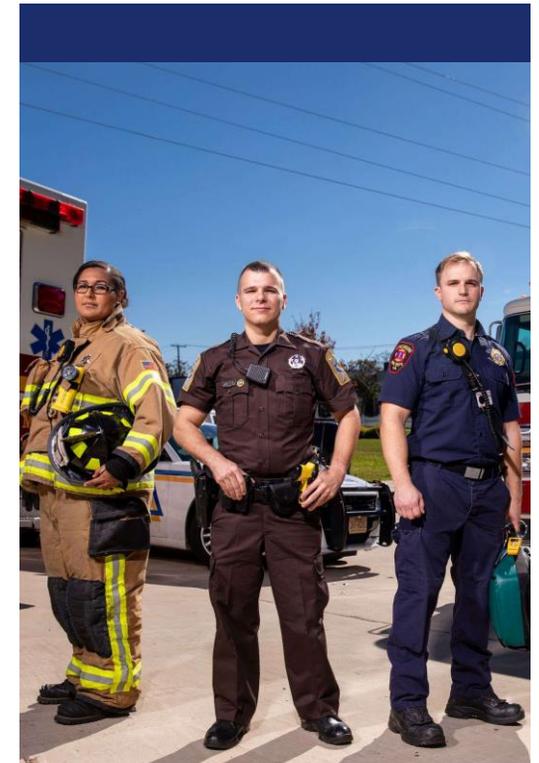


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Public Policy Agenda

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Our Priorities:



Keeping Costs Affordable

Our first responders deserve good and dependable benefits as they serve a crucial role in our communities. We oppose any measure that reduces our ability to provide adequate services due to excessive costs to local governments.



Support for Training, Recruitment & Retention

It is no secret that our municipal public safety officials struggle to not only find and employ qualified individuals, but also retain them. We support grant opportunities to help ensure our forces are fully staffed and equipped for whatever challenges they may face.

“We must continue to stress to everyone we can that the Ohio Association of Public Safety Directors is an important voice for state and local safety forces and public safety issues.”

Supporting First Responders

Support and facilitate direct operational and financial assistance to local agencies managing first responders, health services, and infrastructure on homeland security and public emergencies.



MARCS, 911 & ESINet

Communication is key to our departments' abilities to perform at a high level. Advances in technology, supplemented by increased user fees in wireless communication, can bring Ohio municipalities up to speed and give us accurate information in a critical situation.

Fighting the Opioid Epidemic

Support and facilitate new funding with state and local cooperation to address the threat of opioid and other harmful drugs through law enforcement, addiction treatment, and public education.

