

Great Grants

Providing Training Opportunities for Law Enforcement

Oklahoma City Police Chief Bill Citty says that continuing education and training is essential for the Oklahoma City Police Department to maintain and improve the public safety services they provide to the community.

This commitment is exactly what John and Eleanor Kirkpatrick envisioned when they established the Kirkpatrick Family Fund at the Oklahoma City Community Foundation in 1989. Today, the Kirkpatrick Family Fund continues to honor that vision by supporting organizations such as the Oklahoma City Police Department (OKCPD) that receives an annual grant from the fund to send its officers to executive training, preparing them to become effective leaders.

“The Oklahoma City Police Department strives to provide the best possible service to the community by seeking out the highest quality professional development training for its officers,” says Liz Eickman, director of the Kirkpatrick Family Fund. “Since 1995, our funding has supported the annual tuition for two qualified officers to attend the Senior Management Institute for Police (SMIP) and the FBI National Academy where they learn cutting edge procedures, effective business practices and organizational management.”

Graduates of the FBI National Academy and SMIP are among the top law enforcement professionals in the nation. Thanks to the generous support of the Kirkpatrick Family Fund, every member of the OKCPD command staff is a graduate of one or both training programs. In total, more than \$190,000 has been awarded and 32 officers have completed training, including Chief Citty.



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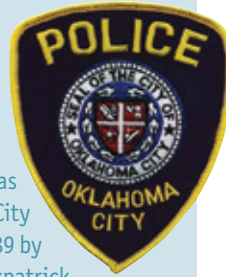
Chief Bill Citty with Oklahoma City Police Department command staff, who have all benefitted from executive training thanks to the Kirkpatrick Family Fund.

“The Oklahoma City Police Department has been fortunate to have the Kirkpatrick Family Fund’s support in funding quality executive management training programs that instill an attitude of progressive thinking to the public services we provide to our citizens,” says Chief Citty.

John and Eleanor Kirkpatrick believed that a strong cultural and service community would benefit Oklahoma City for generations to come. Thanks to their philanthropic vision and the leadership of their grandson, Christian K. Keese, the Kirkpatrick Family Fund will continue to support organizations and programs benefitting the community in perpetuity. This is just one example of how the Oklahoma City Community Foundation works with donors like the Kirkpatrick family to help accomplish their charitable goals. To discuss how we can help you help your community, visit www.occf.org or contact us at 405/235-5603.

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John and Eleanor Kirkpatrick

The Kirkpatrick Family Fund was established at the Oklahoma City Community Foundation in 1989 by the late John and Eleanor Kirkpatrick to complement the charitable efforts of their private foundation, the Kirkpatrick Foundation. With the leadership of their grandson, Christian K. Keesee, the Kirkpatrick Family Fund has awarded more than \$190,000 through annual grants to the Oklahoma City Police Department to support executive training for senior officers. Thanks to their support, a total of 32 officers have completed either the Senior Management Institute for Police or the FBI National Academy that provide intensive training in management procedures and organizational leadership.


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