



IPPFA PRAISES SIGNING OF FIRST RESPONDERS SUICIDE PREVENTION ACT



HB 2766 officially becomes Public Act 101-0375.

SPRINGFIELD – The Illinois Public Pension Fund Association (IPPFA) today praised the signing of the Illinois First Responders Suicide Prevention Act, a new law the IPPFA drafted that will help fight the number one cause of duty-related deaths in the state. Gov. J.B. Pritzker signed the legislation today at the Illinois State Police headquarters in Springfield, and the law takes effect immediately.

“This new law is a major step toward saving the lives of everyday heroes, those who run toward danger rather than away from it and have for years suffered silently because of it,” said IPPFA President James McNamee. “This will give police officers and firefighters the assistance they need to save their own lives while they work every day to save ours.”

To read our press release in full, please click [here](#).

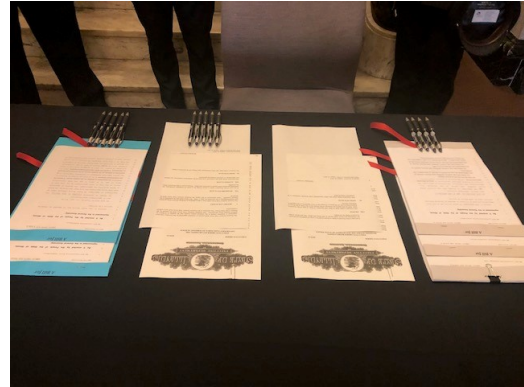
From left to right: James Maloney (IPPFA Director), Shawn Curry (IPPFA Vice President), Dr. Michelle Lilly (NIU)



Professor), Mark Poulos (IPPFA 1st Vice President), Dan Hopkins (IPPFA 2nd Vice President), and Bukola Bello (IPPFA Lobbyist)



Sergeant Curry and Governor Pritzker



Ceremonial pens used by Governor Pritzker to sign the bill.

SAVING BLUE LIVES



Northern Illinois
University



IPPFA
PREPARE PROTECT EDUCATE INFORM

Saving Blue Lives through Training on PTSD, Suicide, Resilience, and Peer Support

October 9-10, 2019 | 8:00am - 4:00pm

Naperville Police Department
1350 Aurora Ave. in Naperville, IL

November 6-7, 2019 | 8:00am - 4:00pm

Illinois Fire Services Institute
11 Gerty Dr. in Champaign, IL

The Illinois Public Pension Fund Association (IPPFA) and Northern Illinois University have teamed up to develop a program to assist law enforcement leaders and rank-and-file officers in expanding their knowledge of Post Traumatic Stress Disorder as it effects police officers. This program is offered at no cost to those attending.

First responders are routinely exposed to critical incidents involving exposure to injury or death in others as well as the risk of injury or death to themselves. Research shows, and those in the profession intuitively know, that individual incidents and accumulated exposure can adversely affect the mental and physical health of those involved.

The program will include:

- Learning the symptoms of PTSD
- Conditions that often present with PTSD, such as depression and substance abuse
- Identifying ways to bolster resistance
- Suicide and conditions such as PTSD
- Methods for dealing with PTSD without the help of a mental health professional
- Effective treatments with the help of a mental health professional

NIU has received a grant from the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority for a demonstration project. This allows NIU and IPPFA to sponsor two, two-day seminars on PTSD awareness and dealing with this condition. The seminars will be conducted by a qualified mental health care professional with the assistance of experienced sworn personnel with substantial careers in emergency response and investigations.

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RETIREMENT



Grand Geneva Resort
Lake Geneva, WI

October 2, 2019 from 10:00am to 3:30pm

Retirees from Illinois Police and Fire Departments are all welcome to join the IPPFA at the Grand Geneva Resort in Lake Geneva, WI on Wednesday, October 2, 2019 for a new seminar on improving their retirement experience. This low-cost, one-day event will emphasize the financial aspects of retirement and will be presented by top experts in the field. Additionally, you can join us and your pension trustees for social events in tandem with our annual MidAmerican Pension Conference (also held at the Grand Geneva Resort).

The curriculum will include:

Benefits Refresher — Your Article 3/4 Police and Fire Benefits with emphasis on issues effecting retirees.

Social Security and Medicare — How does your pension affect your Social Security benefit? Is there a best age to claim benefits?

Deferred Compensation — What are the rules and techniques you might use for turning your savings into income? Are annuities a good idea?

Do you need a financial plan? — See what a plan looks like and how it can help you maximize your retirement security.

Wills, Trusts, and Estate Planning — The fundamentals, plus a little more to help you understand this important subject.

Charitable Giving in Retirement — Some basic information along with some techniques to maximize your tax savings.

Please be sure to let your retired members know about this great opportunity!

The cost of this seminar is \$40.00. *

* **Please note:** this program will take place during the 2019 MidAmerican Pension Conference. If you are attending the MidAmerican Conference, you will not be able to attend this seminar.

[Register Now](#)

Rooming Accommodations

If you would like to stay and enjoy Lake Geneva, rooms are available at the Comfort Suites Lake Geneva East (shuttle service will be provided to transport you to the Grand Geneva Resort and back).

Comfort Suites Lake Geneva East

Group Name: IPPFA 2019 | Group Code: WDo9Po

The rate is \$99.00 per night, plus taxes and fees

Call (262) 248-2300, or click [here](#) to make your reservation.

You can download the event's flyer by clicking [here](#).

Please contact your administrator and ask them to place this information in with your pension checks for next month.

2019 MIDAMERICAN PENSION CONFERENCE



This year's MidAmerican Pension Conference will be held at the Grand Geneva Resort in Lake Geneva, WI from October 1st through October 4, 2019.

You can click [here](#) to check on any updates in regards to the conference.

[Register Today!](#)

Rooming Accommodations

Grand Geneva Resort

The rate is \$138.00 per night, plus taxes and fees

Call (262) 248-8811 to make your reservation.

Holiday Inn Club Vacations at Lake Geneva Resort

Group Name: IPPFA | Group Code: IPP

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Call (866) 915-4224, or click [here](#) to make your reservation.

Comfort Suites Lake Geneva East

Group Name: IPPFA 2019 | Group Code: WD09Po

The rate is \$99.00 per night, plus taxes and fees

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HEROES FAMILY FUND CHARITY GOLF OUTING



This year's Heroes Family Fund Charity Golf Outing will be held
on October 1, 2019 at the:

Grand Geneva Golf Courses
7036 Grand Geneva Way
Lake Geneva, WI 53147

10:00am Shotgun Start | \$125.00 per Person

The Heroes Family Fund was previously known as the
IPPFA Remembrance & Survivor's Fund.

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