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### A STATEMENT OF FACTS: THE REALITY OF PUBLIC SAFETY EMPLOYEE PENSION FUNDS IN THE STATE OF ILLINOIS

Perhaps no other topic in the arena of Illinois labor and employment relations is so divisive and, therefore, so subject to passionate misinformation, as the current state of public safety employee pension funds.

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# IPPFA INDIVIDUAL ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

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The Illinois Public Pension Fund Association (IPPFA) is pleased to offer the Individual Associate Membership to both active and retired police officers and firefighters at a cost of \$25 per year.

Benefits of this membership include a monthly newsletter, legislative outreach for retirement benefit concerns, and retirement and financial wellness training.

Additionally, we are offering benefits and services for your personal needs that you can enroll in, such as:

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  - This service is offered through Mike Corrigan with Legacy Lock
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To apply for membership, please fill out the [application](#) (click [here](#) for a fillable application).

Once completed, you can email it to [special-events@ippfa.org](mailto:special-events@ippfa.org), or mail it to the IPPFA Office.

Join  
Today!

For more information, please visit our webpage at:  
<https://ippfa.org/membership/individual-associate-membership/>

If you have any questions on the IPPFA Individual Associate Membership, please feel free to call our office.

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## SAVING BLUE LIVES

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**IPPFA**  
PREPARE PROTECT EDUCATE INFORM



**Northern Illinois  
University**

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

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 situation, all two-day trainings will be held online via Zoom on the following days:

November 4-5, 2020 | 8:00am - 4:00pm

December 17-18, 2020 | 8:00am - 4:00pm

[Register  
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The Illinois Public Pension Fund Association (IPPFA) and Northern Illinois University have teamed up to develop a program to assist active and retired police officers, fire/ems responders and 9-1-1 operators in expanding their knowledge of Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder, as it effects emergency workers. This program, "Saving Blue Lives through Training on PTSD, Suicide, Resilience and Peer Support," 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.

### **This no-cost 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 the IPPFA to develop and sponsor two-day seminars on PTSD awareness and dealing with this condition. The seminars will be conducted by a qualified mental healthcare professional, along with the assistance of experienced sworn personnel with substantial careers in emergency response and investigations.

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## TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

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