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AREA III HEADQUARTERS
State Police Civic Association
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Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120

Dear Friend:

The State Police Civic Association is a private pension plan established in 1917 for the benefit of retired members of the Pennsylvania State Police, their widows, and children, and for the purpose of paying disability pensions, and providing artificial limbs and eyes to members injured in the line of duty. This was a plan conceived long before there was a State Employees Retirement System or Social Security. Therefore it represents the sole source of income for many of our retirees. Approximately 900 Retired State Policemen are presently receiving pensions benefits from this fund. The primary source of income is from the dues contributed by the active membership and from the contributions of firms and individuals as yourself.

The majority of our retirees left the service of the Department many years ago, after devoting a minimum of twenty-five years of service to the public. It is only within the past three years that the Pennsylvania State Police have begun to receive adequate salaries with improved retirement benefits. Unfortunately, the greater number of our pensioners were neglected when these improvements were established. They must continue to rely on this pension plan as a primary source of income.

The active members have consented to contribute a greater portion of their salary to the retirement fund. We feel this is our obligation to our predecessors - We hope you will help us share this responsibility by including the State Police Civic Association in your annual budget as a recipient of one of your charitable contributions. There will be no contact from our active members other than the presentation of this communication. We have included a return self-addressed envelope, for your convenience. Please make check payable to "State Police Civic Association". We hope you will place us in your annual budget for the next few years.

This is a tangible expression of your appreciation for the Pennsylvania State Police and without your support the fund could not provide adequate pensions for the old timers.

Your contribution also helps make possible the famous State Police Rodeo. The free show is presented in different areas of the state each year for the enjoyment of the public. If these two worthwhile endeavors are to continue we will need your financial support.

Very truly yours,

Major Robert A. Rice
Commander
Area III

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