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Badger State Sheriff's Association Honorary Membership Mailing

Many residents have already received a mailing from the Badger State Sheriffs' Association. This is a legitimate mailing seeking support of our citizens for their sheriff's statewide. The Badger State Sheriff's Association represents all 72 Wisconsin Sheriffs and I am the current Vice President of the association. A sample letter is included with this press release except that the letters sent in Dodge County will have my name and signature on them. The purpose of this mailing is to give citizens the opportunity to show support for the constitutional office of sheriff in our state as we work to protect your constitutional rights. On behalf of all 72 sheriffs in Wisconsin, we appreciate and thank you for your support, regardless of if you decide to become an honorary member of our association.

Sheriff Dale J. Schmidt





## **Dean C. Meyer, Executive Director**Badger State Sheriffs' Association

Dear << Salutation>>,

As a <<CountyName>> County resident, <u>your immediate support is requested</u> to support Wisconsin's Sheriffs and their staffs. Never has it been more important for the citizens of our state to stand behind the constitutionally elected Sheriffs of every county as they work hard to protect your lives, your property, and your rights.

The Badger State Sheriffs' Association (BSSA) is an association of the 72 Wisconsin Sheriffs. The primary focus of the BSSA is to ensure that "No Sheriff Stands Alone." In an ever-changing world, as we experienced in 2020 with COVID-19, civil unrest, and in some areas widespread rioting, the active support of <<CountyName>> County residents like you allows the BSSA to step up and be a reliable resource to each County Sheriff's Office with the critically needed assistance to help keep communities safe while at the same time ensuring that the rights of all citizens are protected.

The BSSA provides resources and education for Sheriffs to more effectively push back against modern crime, manage major emergencies and crises, and prevent violent attacks on our neighborhoods and our schools. The BSSA places a priority on working with all law enforcement agencies in Wisconsin and across the nation to better prepare each County Sheriff by providing the highest quality of service to all citizens.

Additionally, the BSSA also serves as a single voice for Sheriffs and their citizens in the Wisconsin legislature, the governor's office, and state agencies. Lastly, the BSSA reviews policies and laws that protect and serve the public and works to stop harmful laws that put Wisconsin's citizens and law enforcement at risk.

For \$25, you can become an Honorary Member of the BSSA. Your contribution will help support our efforts to enhance the resources of each County Sheriff and improve public safety through enhanced local, regional, and statewide preparedness and response. As an Honorary Member of the Badger State Sheriffs' Association, you will receive the following credentials:

- · A 2021 BSSA Membership Card
- An official 2021 BSSA Bumper Sticker/Decal

On behalf of myself and my fellow Wisconsin Sheriffs, I want you to know that your participation in this effort helps enhance the services of the Office of Sheriff, locally and across the state. I'm asking for your help. <u>Please stand with us today</u> by completing and returning the reply device below along with your \$25 annual membership contribution.

Sincerely,

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Dean C. Meyer, Executive Director Badger State Sheriffs' Association

P.S. Please return the form below with your membership dues and become an Honorary Member today!



To prevent fraud, we **never** ask for donations by telephone.

NOTE: If your name or address is not correct below, please indicate changes so we may bring our records up to date.

Please allow approximately 6-8 weeks for processing your membership. Please make check payable to the BADGER STATE SHERIFFS' ASSOCIATION

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My donation entitles me to: \*A 2021 Membership Card \*A 2021 Bumper Sticker/Decal

John Q. Sample 123 Main Street Anytown, USA 12345-6789 <<CountyName>> County YES! I want to be an Honorary Member of the BSSA 2021

☐ \$25 Individual Membership

**\$\_\_\_\_Additional donation** 

Total donation enclosed

