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APD will definitely support this training. Captain Brandon Moore will be our point of contact.

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On Sun, May 15, 2022 at 2:14 PM <rbyrd@sspba.org> wrote:

Chief Zack,

I am writing to you to determine your interest in sending officers to our Behind the Badge Seminar. This seminar educates law enforcement officers and their families about the dangers of Post-Traumatic Stress Syndrome and Suicide. As you know, the research shows that the biggest threat to an officer's career may be the officer themselves.

Each year more than 100 officers die in the line of duty; the suicide rate is double that amount. The CDC and suicide researchers rank law enforcement suicide among the highest segment in the nation. Job-related stress is a major contributing factor that affects the high rate of suicide in the profession. *Behind the Badge* is the PBF's initiative established to combat law enforcement officer suicide.

The seminar will be a one day seminar that will be free to the participant. They will also earn continuing education credits through the local community college.

Please let me know if this is training that you would support and who would be the best point of contact for your agency moving forward.

My best,

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