



Emergency Chaplains

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VISION 100

The Problem

First Responders run toward danger. They do this over and over again, day after day. They bear the burdens of those they serve, taking a tremendous physical, emotional and spiritual toll upon themselves.

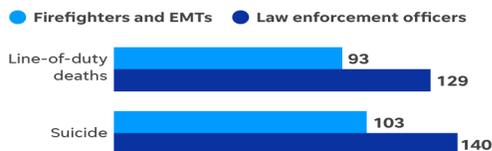


The cumulative stress impacts every aspect of their lives; their marriages, families, and even children. They often fight PTSD and addiction issues.

Because their work place has a high rate of turnover and pay is usually not great, they will often work extra shifts to make ends meet, only exacerbating the stress in their lives. What is so heart wrenching is that too many First Responders are lost every year to suicide.

First responder deaths

The number of firefighters, EMTs and officers who took their own lives outnumber all line-of-duty deaths in 2017.



SOURCE: Ruderman Family Foundation
Frank Pempa/USA TODAY

Law Enforcement Officers, Firefighters, Medics and Communicators need dedicated Chaplains that they can turn to in their time of trouble.

Right now, less than 25% of First Responders in North Carolina have access to a Chaplain who is trained and committed to serving their needs. We estimate it would take at least 2800 new Chaplains to fill that gap.

So there is the problem ... the need for Chaplains is much greater than the number of Chaplains available!

The Plan

Vision 100 is our plan to address this problem and fill the gap. We will recruit, train, qualify and mentor Chaplain prospects from across North Carolina.

Chaplains will be prayerfully matched to a Public Safety Agency in their area, resulting in a sustainable network of certified Chaplains in all 100 counties of North Carolina. Our goal is to recruit, train and place at least 100 Chaplains each year over the next 3 years.



We will need to develop the training programs and systems that will allow us to replicate that growth in other areas of the state, reaching more First Responders with more volunteer Chaplains.

In order to accomplish this, we must increase staffing and funding. We need more partners whose hearts connect to our mission, helping us raise the required funds and even connecting to others who can help; creating an ongoing, steady growth in partnerships.

So the plan is all about finding an army of support to raise an army of volunteer Chaplains. You in?

[This is how can you help us....take a look at the insert and select the areas you can commit to. Return the insert to us and join the campaign!!](#)

You Can Be a Part of VISION 100!

Will you consider participating in a whole new way with Emergency Chaplains? Please complete the enclosed insert and return in the envelope provided. We will be in touch with you to get you involved.

CHAPLAIN FIELD REPORTS

- ◇ **CRT CHAPLAIN RESPONDED** to a request for service in which a 96 year-old woman had passed away, found by family. The Chaplain was able to minister to nearly three-dozen family members that were present on scene and pray with them before leaving.
- ◇ **TWO CHAPLAINS RESPONDED** to a request for service where a 59 year-old woman had died. The Chaplains were able to minister to the daughter and boyfriend of the deceased for several hours and pray with them.
- ◇ **CHAPLAIN CALLED TO RESPOND** for a patient in cardiac arrest. The patient was resuscitated by EMS and transported. The Chaplain continued to the hospital to offer care to the family. While there, counsel and support was given to several First Responders.
- ◇ **EMS PERSONNEL SERVED**, as Chaplains checked in on July 4th and shared lunch with them.
- ◇ **CHAPLAIN WAS DISPATCHED TO LOCAL STRUCTURE FIRE** and ministered to the affected family. The family was connected with the local Red Cross for additional support.
- ◇ **CHAPLAINS RESPONDED TO A SUICIDE CALL** where a woman came home to find her husband dead. The family, EMS and Police Department were ministered to for several hours.
- ◇ **THREE CHAPLAINS RESPOND TO A DROWNING**. Three young people were found in a pool after a fourth person involved notified neighbors. Chaplains responded and provided care for the First Responders on scene. Chaplains also brought food to the EMS personnel following the call and provided follow up care.
- ◇ **CHAPLAIN REQUESTED AT Duke Regional Hospital** by a patient who was in need of prayer before an upcoming surgery. The patient then invited follow up from the Chaplain after the surgery.
- ◇ **A 28 YEAR OLD MALE** went into cardiac arrest and his friends started CPR. Further resuscitation efforts were not successful. Chaplain was able to give care to the family and friends who were present.

CHAPLAIN SPOTLIGHT

Chaplain Jenna Moore has been serving with Emergency Chaplains since March 2018. She serves with the Durham Crisis Response Team (CRT).

Chaplain Moore volunteers one day per week to serve First Responders and those in crisis in Durham County. This involves being on-call to assist the public and any First Responders in need of a Chaplain.

Jenna is a member of Story Church in Durham where she leads a Small Group and also serves as a Care Team Member. She graduated in 2017 with a Masters Degree in Pastoral Counseling from Liberty University Baptist Theological Seminary in Lynchburg, VA.



Jenna Moore

Please pray for Chaplain Jenna, her family and the work that she is doing with our CRT. Pray for her to be able to continue serving Durham County First Responders and the public faithfully, working to turn those in crisis toward Christ.

Be a part of VISION 100!

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