



FAITH & BLUE

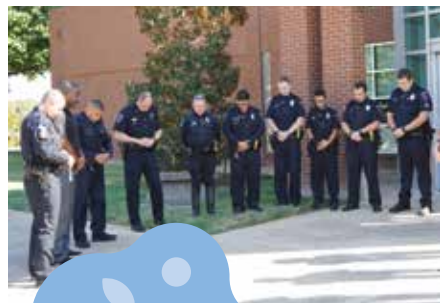


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WELCOME TO FAITH & BLUE



National Faith & Blue Weekend (Faith & Blue) is a collaborative initiative that builds bridges and reduces biases by facilitating engagement between law enforcement professionals and the communities they serve. Research has shown that non-enforcement engagement of officers and residents is transformative to safety and inclusion.

Over a four-day weekend each year, Faith & Blue consists of thousands of locally organized events in all 50 states. These activities include community forums, service projects, unity marches, and hundreds of other initiatives that bring the community together in the spirit of reconciliation.

Faith & Blue organizers represent every major national law enforcement group and faith tradition in the United States. The effort is co-convened by MovementForward, Inc's One Congregation One Precinct (OneCOP) initiative, and the USDOJ Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS Office).

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Hope is the belief that destiny will not be written for us, but by us. By the men and women ... who have the courage to make the world as it should be.”

Lynda Williams, Past President,
National Organization of Black
Law Enforcement Executives



CREATING **IMPACT** 2021 FAITH & BLUE STATS

ENGAGEMENTS

2K+

ENGAGEMENTS
HELD ACROSS
THE U.S.A. IN ALL

50

**STATES AND
THE DISTRICT
OF COLUMBIA**

100K
FAITH & BLUE
WEEKEND
PARTICIPANTS

24
NATIONAL
LAW ENFORCEMENT
PARTNERS

750+
LOCAL
LAW ENFORCEMENT
PARTNERS

51
STATE
LAW ENFORCEMENT
PARTNERS



National Faith & Blue Weekend is an effort like never before to elevate the voices of the majority of Americans who recognize that transformation is necessary, but law enforcement cannot do it alone.”

Rev. Markel Hutchins, National Lead Organizer, National Faith & Blue Weekend

WHY IT WORKS

✔ **350K** faith-based institutions across the country provide an unrivaled community asset for partnership

✔ **86%** of Americans want police to spend the same amount or more time in their area

✔ **62%** of Americans favor community policing as an increased part of police budgets

Faith & Blue is based on the **proven practice of Intergroup Contact Theory**

National Academy of Sciences found non-enforcement interaction improves:

- ✔ Perceptions of police performance
- ✔ Perceptions of police legitimacy
- ✔ Willingness to cooperate
- ✔ Compliance



PARTICIPANT FEEDBACK

(out of 5 stars from 500+ surveys)

**MOST EFFECTIVE:
BETTER COLLABORATION
ON CRIME SOLVING**

★★★★☆ 4.61

Community Members

★★★★☆ 4.48

Officers

**LIKELINESS TO
PARTICIPATE AGAIN**

★★★★☆ 4.72

GET INVOLVED

ANYONE CAN PARTICIPATE IN FAITH & BLUE! HERE ARE THE TOP FIVE STEPS TO GETTING INVOLVED:

[1] Visit www.faithandblue.org, view the Gallery, download the Impact Report, and check out the Planning Resources to get a sense of Faith & Blue. The Toolkit contains everything you need to organize an event, from sample activities to planning checklists to outreach tips.

[2] If you are with a law enforcement agency, a faith-based institution, or a community group, identify a team member to serve as coordinator here: faithandblue.org/agencycontact. They will be assigned a Faith & Blue staff liaison.

[3] Go to the map at faithandblue.org/events. Zoom in to your community to see if there are upcoming or past events. If there are, email info@faithandblue.org to request an introduction.

[4] Sign up for the newsletter at www.faithandblue.org/newsletter to start receiving updates and support.

[5] Follow the Toolkit to jointly organize activities with partner organizations, and when you're ready, register your events at www.faithandblue.org/submit-event.

OPTIONAL: Ask your Faith & Blue staff liaison to organize an informational webinar with members of your organization.

IN ADDITION: Every three months there is a **Day of Engagement** that offers a national virtual program and a local activity. Email info@faithandblue.org to find out how to get involved.

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This is a great way to do outreach to your community and build relationships, legitimacy, and trust.”

Chief Patrick Phelan, Executive Director,
New York State Association of Chiefs of Police





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STAY IN THE KNOW!

We offer announcements on Faith & Blue planning and resources throughout the year via our e-newsletter. To sign up, please visit www.faithandblue.org/newsletter.



Faith & Blue Weekend provides a mechanism for our law enforcement professionals and our community members to relate on common ground. I know that our entire community, including our police officers, is stronger and more resilient as a result of participating.”

Chief Melissa Hyatt,
Baltimore County Police
Department and Major
Cities Chiefs Association

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2021 FAITH & BLUE
IMPACT REPORT!



VIEW THE 2021
FAITH & BLUE
PHOTO GALLERY!

