

# The Office of The Chief of Police

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Dear Faith Leaders,

On behalf of the City of Stone Mountain Police Department, I'm inviting your congregation to partner with us for **National Faith & Blue Weekend**—a nationwide initiative that strengthens trust between law enforcement and the communities we serve through faith-based engagement.

At the heart of this initiative is the reinforcement of connections between law enforcement professionals and the communities they serve through the reach of houses of worship. No resource can match the depth of the faith community in facilitating productive engagement with law enforcement—something needed now more than ever. These connections are built through activities held in neighborhoods across the United States, jointly hosted by houses of worship and local law enforcement entities.

## **FAITH & BLUE DAY (Stone Mountain)**

Saturday, October 11, 2025
Location: Stone Mountain Community Garden at the VFW Park
Address: 888 Gordon St., Stone Mountain

Theme: Building Bridges to More Inclusive Communities

## 9:00–11:00 AM – Community Garden Workday

Join officers and neighbors to tend the Community Garden, which provides 1,000–1,200 lbs. of produce each year to our local food pantry. Please bring garden gloves, spades, clippers, and garden boots if you have them. Plenty of free parking is available.

#### 11:00–11:45 AM – "Walk A Mile in Her Shoes"

A one-mile community walk to raise awareness about domestic violence and support survivors. Everyone is welcome.

#### After the Walk – Community Celebration at VFW Park

Enjoy music, food trucks and a community cookout, plus games for all ages. Local vendors and community organizations will host informational booths and specialty snacks. It's a great

opportunity to meet new friends, connect with local groups, and celebrate the spirit of community—together.

Grand Finale – Group Prayer

We'll close the day in united prayer led by our faith leaders and all faith-based participants.

### How your congregation can participate

- Co-host and help promote the day to your members
- Bring volunteers for the garden and event support
- Offer an opening/closing prayer, reading, or brief reflection
- Provide music (choir, praise team, instrumental)
- Host a domestic-violence awareness/resource table (if applicable)
- Suggest an activity that reflects your congregation's strengths

#### Please reply with:

- 1. Point of contact (name, phone, email)
- 2. Preferred role(s)/activity
- 3. Estimated number of volunteers/attendees
- 4. Any accessibility or logistical needs

Thank you for the work you do every day for our community. We would be honored to stand with you during Faith & Blue—and beyond.

With appreciation,

Chief James R. Westerfield, Jr.

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