Your Personal/Financial Diary

An Aid for Your Family

This is the personal financial diary of	
Social Security Number	
This diary was last updated on	

We strongly suggest this diary be completed in pencil so it can be updated whenever necessary. We also suggest storing the book in a storage bag in your freezer so in case of fire in your residence, the diary will remain safe.

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INTRODUCTION

This personal financial diary was planned with the specific intention of giving law enforcement officers, who serve in a high-risk profession, the opportunity to organize their financial business so their families will have this information in an organized fashion should that officer be killed in the line of duty or die at an early age. However, this diary can be used by anyone to organize their personal/financial affairs.

Every day law enforcement officers tend to tedious paperwork. Writing detailed reports can make the difference in court cases, civil cases, and truly affect the outcome of occurrences in peoples' lives. Paperwork is a major part of the law enforcement officer's job.

Having worked with thousands of families that have lost officers in the line of duty, it has become apparent to Concerns of Police Survivors, Inc., that while law enforcement officers handle paperwork every day on the street, they are *extremely lax* at handling personal paperwork. You see, each year during National Police Week, a time when the law enforcement profession gathers to honor its fallen, we hear of 20 or more families whose officers *forgot* to up date their beneficiary forms. Imagine finding out after your law enforcement officer spouse has died that you're not listed as the beneficiary on insurance forms! Imagine finding out that although you've been married to this officer for seven years, the former spouse is still listed as beneficiary!

This is a hurt no family should have to suffer. This handbook is designed to address this violation of law enforcement officers' dependents. The diary also encourages those who take the time to organize their affairs to leave a letter stating why the spouse was not their beneficiary if that was their intent. It will eliminate many family traumas and will help the surviving family understand why the deceased left benefits to various individuals other than the spouse.

Take time with your spouse to sit down and complete <u>Your Personal/Financial</u> <u>Diary</u>. It will save you or your survivors hundreds of hours searching for legal and financial documents at some time in the future.

If you're a law enforcement officer, it's the least you can do for the family that loves you and supports you in your profession.

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IN CASE OF EMERGENCY,

THESE PEOPLE MUST BE NOTIFIED

Name:	Relationship:	
Address:		
Home Phone:	Work Phone:	
Name:	Relationship:	
Address:		
Home Phone:	Work Phone:	
Name:	Relationship:	
Address:		
Home Phone:	Work Phone:	
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Name:	Relationship:	_
Address:		_
Home Phone:	Work Phone:	
Name:	Relationship:	
Address.		
Home Phone:		
Name:	Relationship:	
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Home Phone:	Work Phone:	
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Name:	Relationship:	_
Address:	W. I. Di	
Home Phone:	Work Phone:	
Name:	Relationship:	
Address:		
Home Phone:	Work Phone:	

IMPORTANT BUSINESS/PERSONAL CONTACTS

My Immediate Supervisor:	
Employer:	
Address:	
Phone:	
Spouse's Immediate Supervisor:	
Employer:	
Address:	
Phone:	
Personal Physician:	
Phone:	
	_
Clergyman:	
Church Affiliation:	
Phone:	
	_
Attorney:	
Phone:	
	_
Dentist:	
Phone:	
	_
Accountant:	
Phone:	
	_
Insurance Agent:	
Insurance Company:	
Phone:	_
Banker:	
Bank Name:	
Phone:	_
Broker:	
Investment Company:	
Phone:	_

PERSONAL DOCUMENTS/INFORMATION

My birth date is:
My birth certificate is located at:
I was born in:
My social security number:
I was married in:
On: To:
Children from this marriage:
I was divorced on: State of:
I was married in:
On: To:
Children from this marriage:
I was divorced on: State of:
Marriage certificate(s) are located at: Divorce decree(s) are located at:
Children's birth certificates are located at: Children's adoption papers are located at:
<u>Children's Names</u> <u>Date of Birth</u> <u>Residence</u>
I served in the Armed Forces: Branch: Service Serial Number:
Enlisted on: At:
Discharge Date: Discharge papers located at:

Personal Information (Continued)

Husband's relatives and addresses: (If deceased, indicate after their name)

1.	Mother:
2.	Father:
3.	
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4.	
5.	
6.	
Wif	e's relatives and addresses: (If deceased, indicate after their name)
Wif	Fe's relatives and addresses: (If deceased, indicate after their name) Mother:
1.	Mother:
1.	Mother: Father:
 2. 	Mother:
 2. 	Mother: Father:
 1. 2. 3. 4. 	Mother: Father:
 1. 2. 3. 4. 	Mother: Father:
 1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 	Mother: Father:

Personal Information (Continued)		
Grandchildren:		
Name	Date of Birth	Their Parents
People who have	special meaning to me:	
	BENEFITS THRO	OUGH EMPLOYMENT
My employer is:		
Address: Phone Number of	Benefits Division:	
I began employme		
•	nefits are provided throu	
1.		
3.		5. 6.
Health Care Cove	erage Provider:	
Phone:		Policy #:
Dental Care Provi	ider:	Policy #:
Phone:		Policy #:
Eye Care Provide	r:	D 1' "
Phone:		Policy #:
Disability Insuran		Dallary #.
Phone:		Policy #:
Files bearing emp	loyment documents are	e located at:

BANK ACCOUNTS AND INVESTMENTS

Checking Account #:	Bank:
Signatories are:	
Chackbook is kent at:	
Checking Account #:	Bank:
Signatories are:	
Checkbook is kept at:	
Savings Account #:	Bank:
Signatories are:	
Passbook is kept at:	
-	
Savings Account #:	Bank:
Signatories are:	-
Passbook is kept at:	
Savings Account #:	Bank:
Signatories are:	-
Passbook is kept at:	
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Certificate of Deposit #:	Bank:
Contificate is least at	
Contificate of Donasit #	Doube
Certificate of Deposit #:	Bank:
Certificate is kept at:	
Safe Deposit Box #:	Bank:
Safe Deposit Box is accessible to:	
Key is kept at:	
Investment/Stock portfolio is located at:	
Bonds portfolio is located at:	
IRA certificate and file is located at:	
401(k) Retirement file is located at:	
Pension (company funded) file is located at:	

MEDICAL AND DISABILITY INSURANCE

Medical Insurance is provided to me through my work. Yes No
This is the name of the office/person at my place of employment regarding medical insurance issues: Phone:
I have personally acquired medical insurance through the following companies:
Location of policies:
You may need to talk with the State Workers' Compensation office at:
Phone:
CREDIT CARDS
I have credit cards with the following companies:
Name Account Number Location of Statements Is Insurance Provided?
TAX RETURNS
Copies of my income tax returns are located at:
Current withholding tax forms and receipts received from my employer at located at:
All worksheets and evidence in support of the returns are attached to the returns: Yes No Worksheets are located at:

MY PERSONAL BUSINESS VENTURES

I own or have an interest in (name of business):
Address:
In partnership/co-ownership with:
Address: Phone:
The contract concerning the business arrangement is located at:
Percentage of my share of the business is:
Tax papers for the business are located at:
REAL ESTATE
My residence address is:
I own my own residence: Yes No
My landlord is:
Ownership Title bears the names of:
The mortgage on the property is held by:
The mortgage payment records are located at:
The mortgage agreement carried life insurance coverage: Yes No
Homeowners insurance papers are located at:
The insurance broker is:
Tax paperwork on my residence are located at:
I own other real estate at: (list addresses)
Deeds, mortgage information, tax documents and payment records are located at:

TRUST FUNDS

I have established a living trust for the benefit of:
It was established on:
The Trust Agreement is located at:
The Trustees are:
The attorney who drew up the Agreement is:
I am a beneficiary under a trust established by:
Papers are located at:
If I die, my heirs are beneficiaries of trust funds established by:
Papers are located at:
PERSONAL DEBTORS AND CREDITORS
The following owe money to me:
Exclusive of secured loans, I owe to the following:
I have the following loans covered by borrowers' life insurance:
Copies of notes, loan agreements and receipts are located at:
Are there any law suits you are involved in either as the plaintiff or defendant? Yes No
Name of Attorney: Phone:

HOMEOWNER'S AND MORTGAGE INSURANCE

<u>Co</u>	<u>ompany</u>	Contact	<u>Phone</u>	Location of Paperwork
	AUTO	MOBILES	S AND AUTO IN	NSURANCE
<u>Make</u>	Model	Year	Registered to	Status of Ownership
BOATS, TRAILERS, OR OTHER MOTOR CRAFTS AND INSURANCE				
<u>Make</u>	Model	<u>Year</u>	Registered to	Status of Ownership
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	ten credit cards, ist various sourc			etc. carry insurance policies on

MY LIVING WILL

Individuals may execute a "living will" that instructs family members and physicians to not take extraordinary steps to continue your life on life-support machines. You should investigate the legality of the "living will" within your state and take steps to execute the "living will" if you do not chose to be kept alive through mechanical means.
I have not executed a "living will"
I have executed a "living will"
Since copies of living wills may not be acceptable in some states, an <i>original</i> , <i>signed</i> copy of my living will is readily accessible at:
MY WILL
Your will should address special requests on how you would like insurance money to be spent, who you would like to have your prized possessions, etc. By providing this information in a will, your wishes can be upheld in court. Otherwise, your primary beneficiary will have total control of your assets/possessions. However, if this information is not included in your will, there is a section in this handbook for that information to be provided.
I do not have a will (Often times families incur additional emotional, legal and financial burdens when a loved one dies without having executed a will. We strongly suggest this be a task that you address as soon as possible.)
I have a will that is located at:
The Attorney who handled my will is at the law firm of Phone number:
My last will is dated:
The Executor is:

ORGAN DONATION

I do not want	any of my organ	s donated.		
I would like t	o have organs do	nated for transplant.		
I would like t	o donate the follo	owing organs for tran	splant/research:	
	FUNERAL	DETAILS		
Church Preference:		Religious Affiliation: Phone:		
Funeral Home to be used:				
Phone:				
Contact:(Some funeral homes provid the line of duty. Check on the line of duty.			ment officer killed in	
Service to be held at: Funeral Home Nan				
Church Nan	ne of Church:			
I prefer: Interment	_ Entombme	ent Cren	nation	
My choice of cemetery is: _				
I ot is in name of:			not purchased a lot.	
Lot is in name of: Section	Lot	Block		
Location of deed for lot:				
If interment is in another city	y, give information	on on the receiving fu	ineral home:	
Name:		Phone: _		
Address:				
Pallbearers:				
If cremated, what do you wis	sh done with you	r ashes?		

Funeral Details (Continued)		
Obituary: Yes No	-	
Please list the following in my obitu	•	
I am entitled to Veterans Benefits:	Yes	No
I entitled to Military Honors: I would like a "Lodge" service: By:	Yes	No No
Flowers: Yes No Donations in lieu of flowers to:		
Musical selections:		
Special requests for service:		
SPECIA	AL FINAL REQUI	ESTS
As stated earlier in this had one's will so your wishes will be these special final requests in a will your assets/possessions for final dissues in your will. If you choose if family of the decisions that might in	upheld by a court of lill, your primary benef disposal. We strongly not to, however, compl	riciary will have total control of y recommend addressing these lete this section to alleviate your
This is how I would like insurance	settlement money to be	e spent:
This is how I would like real estate	to be handled:	

This is how I would hope my	family would continue/improve their relationships:
These are my prized possessi	ions and how I would like them to be distributed:
<u>Item</u>	Given to
I would like my clothing and	other general personal effects distributed in this manner:
Other special wishes:	

LIFE INSURANCE POLICIES

To insure easy access to actual policies, beneficiaries, etc., all policies owned should be kept together in a safe place. Premium receipts, loan information, and settlement agreements on these policies should also be filed with the policy.

Location of policies:				
I have made loans against th	e following policies:			
I also own annuity contracts	: Yes No			
Location of contracts:				
My principal life insurance	advisor is listed in "Important Business/Personal Conta	cts".		
Other insurance advisors inc	lude:			
Name:Phone:	Company:			
Name:Phone:	Company:	Company:		
companies for policies of i companies in existence.)	nsumer Help Line can search 100 of the largest life insundividuals. (Keep in mind there are over 2,000 insuffere is a \$4.50 charge for this search and it may take earch. Call 1-800-942-4242 for information.	urance		
I also belong to the various membership:	social/fraternal organizations that carry insurance for the	eir		
Organization:	Contact: Phone:			
Organization:Address:	Contact: Phone:			
Organization:Address:	DI			
Organization:	Contact:			

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

This handbook was planned to save as much heartache as possible immediately following the death of a loved one. All the planning and preparation in the world, however, won't save a family serious heartache if someone chooses to keep information about their life from family members. Often times after someone dies, family members are shocked to find out there are other children from outside the marriage and other significant others.

To save your spouse or other family members this heartache and torment, it is suggested that you write a letter to be opened upon your death that will tell your family about the issues you felt you could not discuss with them during your lifetime.

Additionally, we recommend that you discuss with your spouse the beneficiary listings you have chosen on various insurance policies. This will help alleviate the family upheavals that seriously effect the grief process when family members doubt that you meant to leave benefits to the people who received those benefits.

Be proactive and address these issues before it's too late.

AGENCY SHEET

If the person completing this booklet is a law enforcement officer, this page can be completed and filed with your enforcement agency in your personnel file.

Officer's Name:			
(Last)	(First)		
Social Security Number:		Date of Birth:	
In case of death or serious inju	ıry, have a departmen	t representative contact:	
Name	Day Address	Evening Address	<u>Phone</u>
Spouse:			
Mother:			
Father:			
Closest Relative:			
Former Spouse(s):			
My best friend on the departm him (her) to accompany anyon friend's address is:	ne sent to give injury/o	death notice to my family	. My best
Phone number			
I want	to serve a	as the liaison officer with	my family.
The following members of my aware of:	·	•	
My family is aware of the bend Yes No I have a letter written to my fa my policies. Yes No	mily explaining why		
I would like full law enforcem	ent honors if killed ir	the line of duty. Yes	No
Suggested pallbearers:			