

Caroline County Sheriff's Office

Sheriff A.A. "Tony" Lipa, Jr.

September 27, 2010



Sheriff Lipa Appeals To Citizens to Join The Virginia Sheriffs' Institute

Caroline County, VA — In response to the need for improved, widespread public safety awareness and to assist local sheriffs in protecting the lives and property of citizens throughout Virginia, Sheriff A.A. "Tony" Lipa, Jr. today announced a campaign that encourages Caroline County residents to become Associate Members of the Virginia Sheriffs' Institute (VSI).

Membership appeals will be mailed during the week of September 27, 2010. Individuals choosing to join the voluntary program can do so for as little as \$20, while businesses can show their support with a \$40 contribution.

The tax-deductible contributions will assist VSI's ability to provide an immediate \$5,000 in-the-line-of-duty death benefit—during the time of greatest need—to the families of Sheriffs or deputies killed serving the Commonwealth.

In addition, VSI provides essential programs to improve the training of law enforcement officers, public safety and crime prevention outreach, and desperately needed scholarships to Virginia students to pursue Criminal Justice degrees.

Residents wishing to become Associate Members may also sign up for the program online at www.vasheriffsinstitute.org.

You should know.....

- Solicitations are never by telephone
- Membership dues are tax deductible
- VSI provides educational scholarships
- Sheriff Lipa is a Board Member of VSI

About VSI

Founded in 1981, the Virginia Sheriffs' Institute is a statewide law enforcement organization supported by Virginia's Sheriffs and is registered with the Commonwealth of Virginia, Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. The VSI is a non-profit, professional and educational organization dedicated to the preservation of peace and the protection of the lives and property of the citizens of Virginia. If you would like more information about VSI or its Associate Membership program, please contact Mr. John W. Jones, Executive Director at (804) 225-7152 or email vsavsi@virginiasheriffs.org

Thanks for Your Support

"I would like to thank the citizens of Caroline County for considering a membership in the VSI." said Sheriff Lipa. "The funding is vital to helping us carry out our mission of making our communities safer places to live, work and play."