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FALLEN FIRST RESPONDER PROGRAM

Tunnel to Towers Foundation’s Fallen First Responder Program pays off the mortgages for the families of law enforcement officers and firefighters who are killed in the line of duty and leave behind young children.

The Fallen First Responder Program began with the assassination of two on-duty NYPD officers, Rafael Ramos and Wenjian Liu. The men were shot and killed on December 20, 2014, in the Bedford–Stuyvesant neighborhood of Brooklyn.

Tunnel to Towers paid off the mortgages on the homes of these two heroes who were gunned down for simply wearing the uniform of the NYPD.

For nearly a decade the Fallen First Responder Program has supported fallen first responder families in nearly every state across America.

In 2021, to address the growing need, Tunnel to Towers expanded the program to support the families of first responders who have lost their lives to 9/11 illnesses and who leave young children behind.

The Fallen First Responder Program provides stability following the sudden and tragic loss of a loved one. The Foundation steps in to assure the family they can stay in their home, school, and community, without the financial burden of a mortgage.

Tunnel to Towers has made a promise to all of America’s first responders, if you go to work protecting your community, kiss your wife and kids goodbye, and do not come home, Tunnel to Towers will protect the family you leave behind with a mortgage-free home.

All checks for money raised/donated through your Auxiliary should be made out to the VFW Auxiliary Department of CT in order to Support our State President’s Special Program.

