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**C.O.P.S. Hosts Blue Ribbon 5K Run/Walk**

*Camdenton, MO* – Concerns of Police Survivors (C.O.P.S.) is hosting the Blue Ribbon 5K Run/Walk on Sunday, June 14, 2015, at Linn Creek City Park in Linn Creek, MO.

All proceeds from the Blue Ribbon 5K Run/Walk will help underwrite C.O.P.S. Hands-On Programs that directly benefit the surviving families of America’s fallen law enforcement officers.

Participants are encouraged to come decked out in blue. The "blue-est" person will win a prize.

To register, visit the C.O.P.S. website at [www.nationalcops.org](http://www.nationalcops.org) and click on Fundraising Events on the left. The registration form can then be accessed. The entry fee for an individual is $20 per person and will be increased to $25 on race day. For families of three or more, the pre-registration fee is $15 per person, increasing to $20 per person on race day. Individuals participating in the Summer Night Glow Run on June 12, can register at a discounted rate. Runners must bring their bib from that race to the Blue Ribbon 5K.

This year the race will kick off with a Public Safety Relay featuring public safety personnel. The winning team receives the traveling trophy. Registration fees for each team of three is $50.

If someone wants to participate and does not live in the lake area, they can sign up to be a part of the virtual 5K. Virtual runners will pay $25 and receive a race t-shirt. They are encouraged to run or walk the 5K distance wherever they live. Deadline to register for the virtual 5K is May 31.

The deadline to pre-register and receive a race t-shirt is June 1, 2015. Registration on race day will begin at 7:00 a.m. and the Run/Walk will start at 8:00 a.m. Awards for age groups will be given.

For more information or to register over the phone, call the C.O.P.S. office and ask for Development (573) 346-4911.

**About Concerns of Police Survivors**

Concerns of Police Survivors is a nationwide not-for-profit organization now in its 31rst year of providing services to America’s law enforcement families. With 49 Chapters across the country, members of C.O.P.S. are prepared to help survivors when they need it - where they need it. The organization’s mission has always been to “*rebuild the shattered lives*” of law enforcement survivors. C.O.P.S. has a membership comprised of more than 29,000 families who have identified themselves as survivors nationwide.

For more information and ways to show your support, please visit www.nationalcops.org.

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