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Hello,

I want to let you know about the Ohio FOP Members Higher Education Partnership, a new benefit the Ohio FOP has secured to provide **free higher education** opportunities for FOP members and their families. Your Board has approved this new partnership with Eastern Gateway Community College, allowing Members and their families to have access to FOP-sponsored College courses that have been specially designed for people like you-- who have to balance tough schedules at work and demands at home, with the desire to pursue higher education.

Eastern Gateway Community College, which is part of the University System of Ohio and one of the fastest growing colleges in the state, is offering competency-based, online programs and classes that can fit into your busy, "24/7" life. This means you can work on the courses on your own time, and finish anytime within the academic term. If something prevents you from finishing during the semester, whether it's a schedule change or a family emergency, you can pick up where you left off the next semester. The courses are transferable to any public College in the state.

And the best part about it—we have negotiated the Ohio FOP Members Scholarship Fund, which will ensure that we are able to offer these programs and courses in a way that won't cost you any money out of pocket.

With this initiative we are able to offer up to \$1,000,000 in scholarships to our members for programs such as criminal justice and law enforcement. And we can offer the same to your family members who may be interested in those programs, or others such as the University Transfer Certificate, which is essentially the first year of any 4-year public university, or programs in Entrepreneurial Studies, Business Management, Healthcare, Teacher Education, or general studies.

Here are some of the highlights:

- Police Academy certification could mean you skip a year in the Law Enforcement Degree program.
- Most classes are competency-based and made to fit into your busy lives. All are online, with mentor-guided support. They are designed for busy, working adults.
- FOP Scholarships mean ZERO LOANS for you or your family members! (We simply ask that you apply federal financial aid grants to your tuition.)
- Easy rolling admissions gets you started right away!

Please call 800-FOP-4146 to learn more about this amazing opportunity, or send us an email at College@FOPOhioEducation.org We will also be holding enrollment Fast Track events around the state in the coming weeks, so please check our website for more information-- www.FOPOhioEducation.org

This partnership is brought to our members because we recognize that better education opportunities can make a real difference for you and your families. We know first hand your dedication and motivation and we are committed to finding innovative ways to help you get the higher education you need. That is why we are excited about this initiative and have worked to bring Eastern Gateway Community College to you, where you are.

Fraternally,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jay McDonald". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Jay" being more prominent than the last name "McDonald".

Jay McDonald
State President