## STATE TROOPERS OF OHIO, INC

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## Message From the Executive Director Carl Roark of OSHPRS

HPRS members have three different and unique organizations dedicated to supporting those who served with honor and distinction in the Ohio State Highway Patrol. This article will briefly describe them, and refer you to their website for additional information.

The **Ohio State Highway Patrol Retirees' Association** or OSHPRA (created in 1975) is likely the one you have heard the most about. OSHPRA fosters camaraderie among retired members, offering opportunities to stay connected and provides for the commonly known events such as the Snowbird and Sunbird. They are a key supporter of the Annual Retirees Cookout at the Academy. OSHPRA also provides for messages to their members about retiree events and other news such as a retiree passing. Their website is <a href="https://www.oshpretiree.org/">https://www.oshpretiree.org/</a>.

The Ohio State Troopers Retirees Association or OSTRA (created in 2001 under the Ohio State Troopers Association umbrella) works to ensure the voices of their members are heard regarding benefits. As stated on their website at https://www.ohiotroopers.org/ohio-state-troopers-retirees association, their purpose is to look after the interests of Troopers and their families after retirement.

Complementing the efforts of these two retiree associations, **State Troopers of Ohio Inc.** (created in 2022) works tirelessly to advocate for legislation, regulations, and government programs that benefit the active and retired members of the Ohio State Highway Patrol. For additional information on how to become a patron, or stay up to date on their efforts, link to: <u>STO</u> on <a href="https://www.troopertotrooper.com">https://www.troopertotrooper.com</a>