

# MOUNT PROSPECT POLICE DEPARTMENT

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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **Metropolitan Alliance of Police Annual Telephone Solicitation Process**

The Metropolitan Alliance of Police (M.A.P.) is the labor union representing Patrol Officers and Sergeants employed by the Mount Prospect Police Department for collective bargaining and legal representation purposes. Typically, M.A.P. solicits all residents and businesses within Mount Prospect once a year and that time is here. The Mount Prospect Police Department would like to remind residents and business owners within Mount Prospect that solicitations made on behalf of the Metropolitan Alliance of Police are, without exception, made by employees of professional fund raising enterprises and not Mount Prospect police officers or sergeants. No Mount Prospect police officers or sergeants are involved in the practice of soliciting money from residents or businesses over the telephone for any purpose, as this practice is expressly prohibited by department policy. Telephone solicitors working on behalf of M.A.P. who claim to be Mount Prospect police officers are simply misrepresenting themselves.

Donations requested in the name of M.A.P. fund raising efforts go to support union activities and are not given to the Mount Prospect Police Department. A good way to identify this type of solicitation is when the solicitor offers to send a representative to your home or business to collect your donation. This practice has been common amongst professional fund raising firms used by M.A.P. locally in the past. Solicitors who claim that donated monies directly assist the police department are simply misrepresenting the facts.