Law Enforcement and First Responders Supplement

On September 27, 2021, Governor Kemp <u>announced a supplement for Georgia</u> <u>Public Safety Officials and First Responders</u>.

The Law Enforcement and First Responder Supplement program establishes a grant program to provide a \$1,000 one-time pay supplement for full-time public safety officers and first responders, including law enforcement officers, emergency medical technicians, and firefighters. Public safety entities will apply on behalf of qualifying employees between October 1 and December 31.

The Office of Planning and Budget (OPB) is responsible for administering the Law Enforcement and First Responder Supplement. This program was established in recognition of the sacrifice and dedication those individuals have shown in serving Georgians and their communities during the COVID-19 Pandemic. Eligible individuals are comprised of full-time Georgia public safety officers and first responders, including law enforcement officers, 911/communications officers, emergency medical technicians, and firefighters. The program will also provide a \$300 stipend for volunteer firefighters.