### OUR HISTORY

The San Diego LEO Wives
Association, launched in
August of 2011, was formed to
offer educational seminars,
workshops, and various activities
to empower us as the "hidden
partners".

Within is a large group of caring women who know the difficulties of growing happy families and successful marriages in spite of the added pressures of being a police wife.

You may know the saying, "There's no substitute for experience." Let's share our experience and encourage each other in our hidden partner roles.

#### YOU ARE NOT ALONE

We would love to get to know you! We hope you will join us, make new friends, and find encouragement through other women living "the life" of a police wife. Become a member, send us an email, or join us at an upcoming event.



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TO ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT
OFFICERS OF SAN DIEGO
COUNTY, PLEASE ACCEPT OUR
HEARTFELT APPRECIATION
FOR CHOOSING TO PROTECT
AND SERVE THE RESIDENTS
OF SAN DIEGO ALONGSIDE
OUR HUSBANDS. WE APPLAUD
YOUR DEDICATION TO AN
OFTENTIMES THANKLESS JOB.

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# ABOUT SDLEO WIVES

# SUPPORT

In an effort to better understand our spouses and the effects their professions have on our lives, we come together to support one another.

### FRIENDSHIP

The friendships we have made within the group are invaluable. It is truly a blessing to find others who understand the daily life as an officer's wife.

### EDUCATION

Our goal is to educate ourselves, and you, on issues specific to being married to "the badge". Join us and learn from guest speakers that will cover topics on estate planning, union benefits, gun safety, supporting them after a stressful event, and much more. There are numerous resources available to us within the Departments and through other local and national agencies.

# EXPERIENCE

We are wives of all ages and all stages with varying degrees of life experience and LEO wife experience.

# WHO CAN JOIN?

Women engaged or married to San Diego Law Enforcement Officers; active, retired or who have reached the "end of watch".

#### THE HIDDEN PARTNERS

As LEO wives we experience emotions that other wives don't; we have fears that other wives don't; we deal with shift changes and periods of single parenting and lonely holidays.

Our husbands are often stressed and go through many changes stemming from their careers. It's been said that police wives are "the hidden partners" and whether we realize it or not in the beginning, those are big shoes to fill.

Our husbands and their on-duty partners receive high quality training 5 days a week for 6 months. We fill our partner positions with little or no training and, often, very little support.

#### **Our Core Beliefs**

- We are committed to the success and prosperity of the wives in their roles as "hidden partners".
- We will speak honestly and use good business ethics.
- We are compassionate, strong, courageous, and resourceful.
- We will share what we have in talents, time, and experience to bring about the goals of the Association.
- We know conscious cooperation produces results.
- We will not intentionally bring dishonor or negative attention to either our husbands or the Agency.
- What's talked about in the Association, stays there.

#### Our Website

Visit our website for more information about our events and other resources. There you will find our membership application and online forum. The site is ever-changing and evolving, so visit often.

### SEND US YOUR QUESTIONS

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The San Diego LEO Wives Association is proud to be sponsored by the Deputy Sheriffs' Association of San Diego County and the San Diego Police Officers Association.