



# News Release

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## **Fredericksburg Police Raise Money in Support of Men's Health by Donating Funds to the Movember Foundation**

The Fredericksburg Police Department is excited to participate for the second time in No-Shave November, a national effort to increase cancer awareness and raise funds to support cancer research, education, and prevention. This year the police department is pleased to announce that we will be raising money for the Movember Foundation. The Movember Foundation is a global charity whose goal is to raise funds and awareness for men's health so that they can live a long and healthy life. To help achieve their goal, the Movember Foundation is a partner to the Prostate Cancer Foundation and shares 50% of all donations with the Prostate Cancer Foundation. The remaining donations go toward focusing on testicular cancer, mental health and physical inactivity in men. In an effort to help raise awareness for men's health, the Fredericksburg Police Department is raising funds for the Movember Foundation in two unique ways:



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## Officers Are To Give Up Shaving in November

Patrol officers have been approved to grow a goatee during November in exchange for a \$30 donation to the Movember Foundation. On a regular work day, police directives prohibit patrol officers from having a goatee while on duty. Officers are giving up their razor for the entire month of November. All patrol officers participating will wear a moustache lapel pin and blue ribbon during November to show their participation in No-Shave November and increase prostate cancer awareness.

"We engage our community with these events because we have all been affected by cancer in some way," said Police Chief David Nye

## Police Department Employees Wear Moustache Lapel Pin

Many City of Fredericksburg employees have each made a \$5 donation to the Movember Foundation and are wearing a moustache lapel pin and a blue ribbon during November to show their support for men's health. The Fredericksburg Police Department will sell moustache lapel pins throughout the month to anyone who would like to support the police department's efforts in raising awareness for men's health during the month of November.

"Twenty years ago, women's health and breast cancer were talked about very little. Today you can see football teams from little league to the NFL wearing pink for awareness during the month of October. Today, men need to follow the same path to awareness paved by women in the 90's. We need to get regular screenings and take better care of our health. If our campaign at the Fredericksburg Police Department can convince one man to get checked, then it is well worth it," said Officer Paul Dooley who started the No-Shave November movement last year.



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## How to Stay Involved

The Fredericksburg Police Department will utilize social media throughout the month of November to keep the community updated on the amount of money raised for the Movember Foundation.

## How to Make a Donation

Want to support the Police Department's efforts to raise money for the Movember Foundation? You can make a donation online at [us.movember.com](https://us.movember.com) or buy a moustache lapel pin for \$5.00 at the Fredericksburg Police Department Headquarters, located at 2200 Cowan Boulevard, Fredericksburg, Virginia 22401. Purchases can be made Monday through Friday, between 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Receipts will be provided for all purchases.



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