

RICO Manufacturing Doubles-Down With Unique Gift to Bluecoats

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(May 10, 2010– Medina, Ohio) RICO Manufacturing has made a generous charitable donation to Bluecoats of Medina County. RICO's donation is twofold and truly unique in nature. RICO ensured that at least one-half of the donation amount remains in the Bluecoats donation account. The balance will be available to pay for a special Tactical Training Class. Bluecoats of Medina County is a nonprofit organization that provides financial assistance and other services to families of police, firefighters, emergency medical officers, sheriffs and corrections officers who lose their lives or become permanently disabled in the line of duty.



RICO appreciates the important role the Bluecoats serves to the families of fallen officers. Bluecoats of Medina County aid these families during their tough times. RICO understands that role and wishes to take it one step further. During tough economic times, police departments also feel the financial pinch. When it comes time to cut costs, unfortunately, one of the first expenses eliminated is training. In addition to their generous cash donation to the Bluecoats, RICO has partnered with Bluecoats to host and organize a highly sophisticated Charity Tactical Training Class for local enforcement officers.

RICO Manufacturing President, Dave Mueller, feels the best way to support our officers is to help ensure they are prepared and properly trained to deal with any threatening situation that arises. The concept is simple: Provide our officers with realistic training to keep them alive. This Tactical training class will go beyond the basics, providing specialized skills and tactical measures in advancing each officer's capability and effectiveness in neutralizing and surviving dangerous threat situations.

Medina's Police Chief, Patrick Berarducci, has graciously offered his support with the use of the Medina Shooting range as host of the Charity Tactical Training Class. The Charity Tactical Training class will take place in September and will be open to select local law enforcement officers and trainers.

ABOUT RICO: Rico Manufacturing is proud to be fabricators of the world's finest <u>specialty lift trucks</u>. With over 125 years of experience, RICO has pioneered the design, development and manufacture of specialized lift trucks and material handling equipment with capacities ranging from 3,000 to 400,000 lbs. RICO's diverse customer base includes the industrial, <u>military</u>, and commercial markets. For more information contact or visit <u>www.RicoEquipment.com</u> or contact Patrick Richardson at (330) 723-4050 ext. 214 or email: <u>prichardson@ricoequipment.com</u>

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