PORAC
LEGAL DEFENSE FUND

ASEA/AFSCME LOCAL 52

AUGUST 28, 2024

OVERVIEW

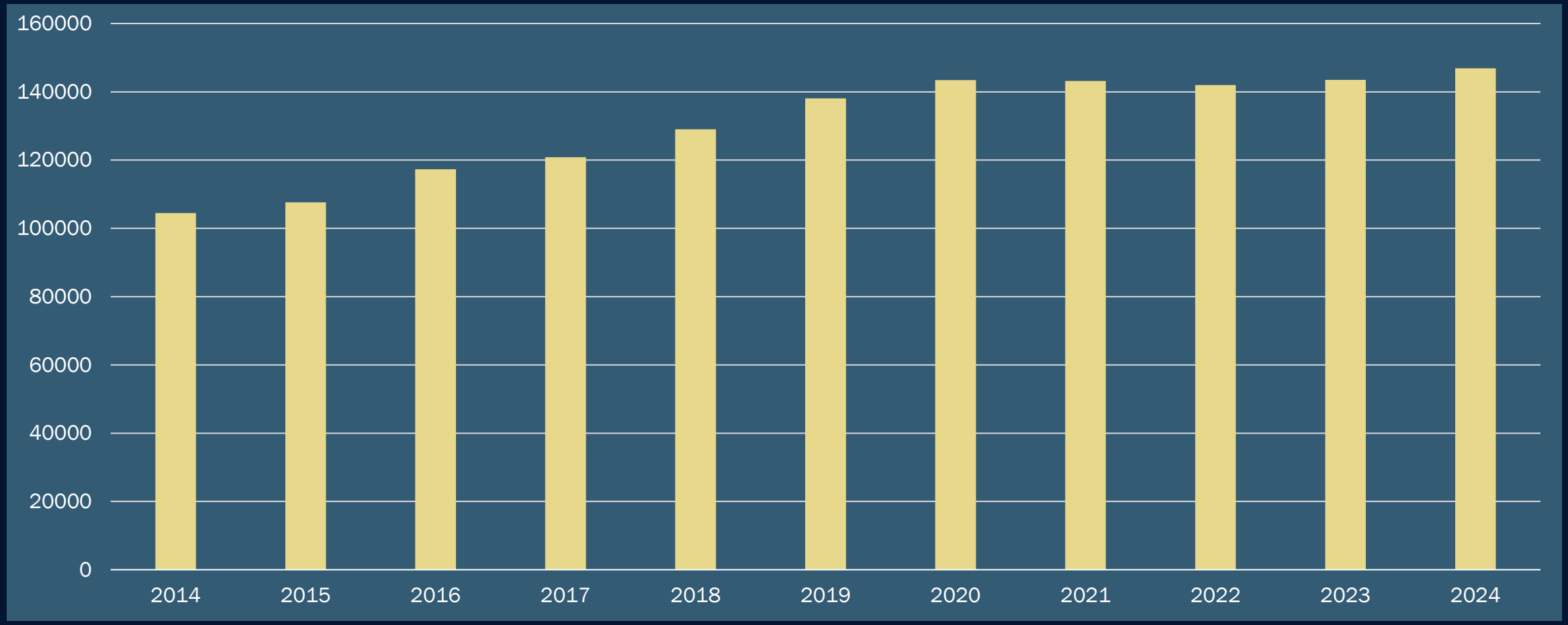
- Protecting and defending public safety officers since 1974!
- The oldest, largest, and most well-respected legal plan within the United States.

TIME-TESTED PRINCIPLES

- Run by cops for cops
- Non-Profit
- ***NO*** *cap on benefits!*

PARTICIPANT MEMBERSHIP

Participants: 146,914



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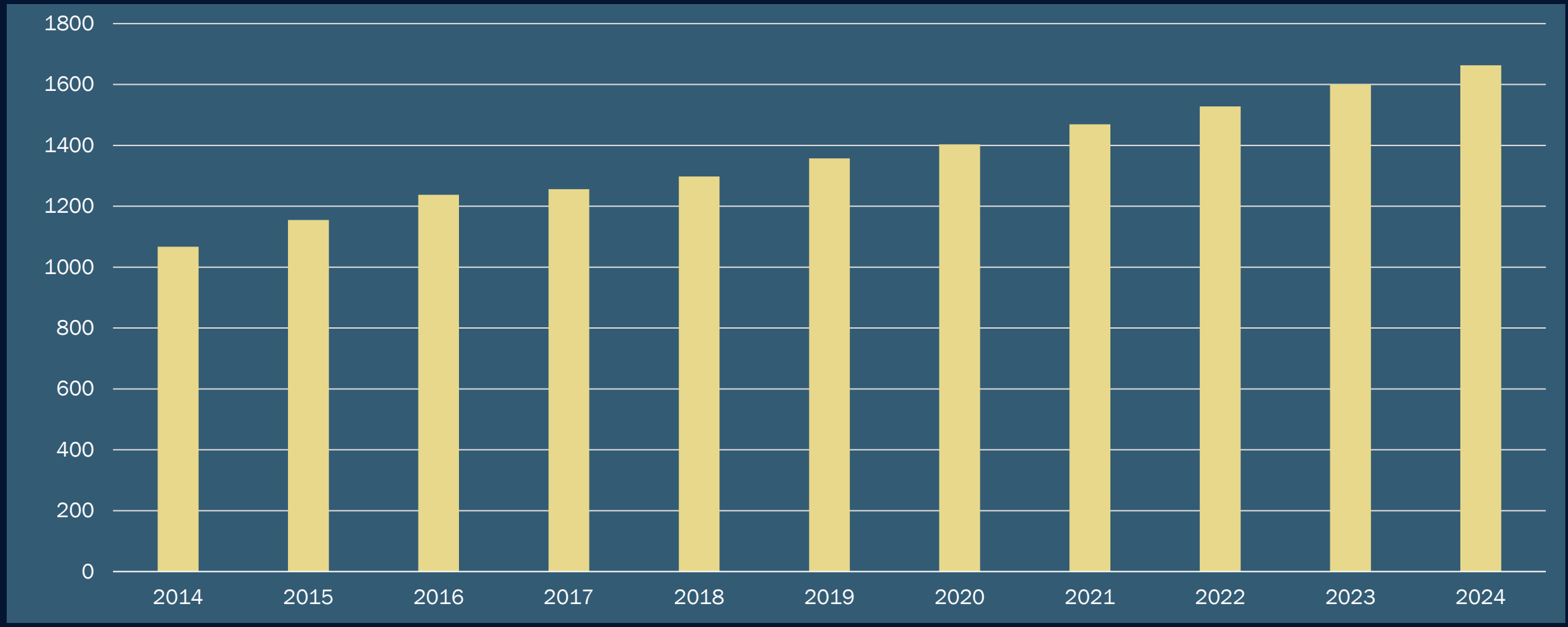
ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP

Member Associations: 1,663



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50 STATES AND 2 US TERRITORIES

DIVERSE MEMBERSHIP

- Police Officers
- Border Patrol Agents
- Correctional Officers
- Deputy Sheriffs
- Firefighters
- Dispatchers
- Probation Officers
- DA Investigators
- CSOs
- Park Rangers
- University Police
- Airport Police
- School Police
- Transit Police
- State Troopers
- Fish & Game Wardens

PLAN II

- Criminal
- Civil

Only for acts within “ SCOPE OF EMPLOYMENT”

SCOPE OF EMPLOYMENT

"Scope of Employment" - generally defined as actions or omissions by a Peace Officer or Public Safety Employee which are typical of or associated with the duties which a Peace Officer or Public Safety Employee is hired, trained, and paid to perform, as determined by the Board of Trustees."

CRIMINAL COVERAGE

1) Triggered by exposure to criminal liability:

<u>Critical Incident</u>

- Shooting;
- Death in custody;
- Use of Force, resulting in injury
- **On-duty auto-related incidents**

24 hours a day / 7 days a week / 365 days a year

CRIMINAL COVERAGE

2) Investigation/allegation of criminal activity

3) Criminal Prosecution

NOTICE OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION

DATE: August 1, 2014

TO: Deputy John Doe

FROM: Chief of Police

SUBJECT: Criminal interview

You are to appear for an interview on August 15, 2014 at 1:00 pm for alleged misconduct.

You have the right to be represented by a representative of your choice who may be present at all times during the interview.

RECEIVED: DATE:

_____ _____

Signature

CIVIL COVERAGE

(Only for acts or omissions within the Scope of Employment)

Employer "Should":

"DEFEND & INDEMNIFY"

CIVIL CASE MONITORING

Reservation of Rights Letter

- Experienced Civil Attorney Monitors case
- Watches for Conflicts
- Available to consult with member

PRICE

- Plan II - $6.00 per member per month

NO OUT OF POCKET COSTS

In addition to attorney fees, LDF pays for all customary and reasonable fees such as:

- Filing Fees
- Transcripts
- Investigators
- Expert Witnesses

CONFLICT COVERAGE

- Each member gets separate Counsel as appropriate

MATTERS OF GENERAL IMPORTANCE

Not just defending cops…

- Addressing cases of general importance to law enforcement personnel

APPEALS OF COVERAGE

- Members may appeal the Legal Administrator's decisions to the ***LDF BOARD OF TRUSTEES.***
- Members may choose to personally appear before the Board of Trustees to present their appeal.

MORE THAN $250 MILLION IN BENEFITS PAID SINCE 2007

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