

Public Apology to Our Community, Our Supporters, Our District and Our Law
Enforcement Partner Agencies and Associations
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You may have seen a news story regarding a TRPOA shirt. The shirt was created with the good intention to raise money for the families of fallen officers. These shirts were made more than 2 years ago and have not been sold by the POA for over a year due to concerns raised in our own department. However, no matter how long ago, we realize and acknowledge that we have made a mistake and an error in judgement.

The Chief of Police expressed his opinion that the shirt was inappropriate; we wholeheartedly agreed and stopped sales of the shirt. We regret our mistake, take full responsibility and sincerely apologize to our community, the school district, our law enforcement partners and associations and the members of the Twin Rivers Police Department.

This issue was addressed long prior to any attention to this matter.

The POA is a completely separate entity from the police department and district. We want to assure everyone that this shirt in no way reflects the attitude, thoughts, feelings and hard work of our police officers. Our police officers genuinely care about our children and community. We regret that this mistake has drawn attention away from the fact that a police officer was seriously injured and almost killed.

Once again, please accept our apologies. We value and respect your trust and relationships. We will work very hard to win back the trust and support of the communities we serve.