Local Non-Profit provides Security & Investigations Services

LESCOA, one of the organizations participating in the Give Local York event May 4, 2018

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York County based LESCOA (Law Enforcement Supplemental Services Corp. of America) is a York County licensed Security & Investigations Agency focused on providing services to the less fortunate and to individuals or entities lacking resources to pay for services. A spokesperson for the organization explains "Our two primary areas of focus are missing persons and protective services. We hope to change the narrative — there is nothing anyone can do until someone breaks the law. We want to be there before something bad happens."

LESCOA is managed by retired law enforcement and licensed investigators. The agency was formed to help those who need services but simply can't pay for it said John Brumbaugh, a retired State Police Trooper and the firm's Chief of Operations "many people in need of protection or investigative services are at their lowest point and often financially devastated or have run out of funds and resources like we sometimes see in cold-case missing children.

The agency will be one of many hoping to raise funds during the Give Local York event May 4, 2018. Donations will go toward protecting individuals who are being threatened or terrorized as well as victims of domestic abuse. Additionally, funds will be used to assist families and law enforcement agencies to locate missing persons.

LESCOA is also comprised of volunteers and others who have an interest in this type of work said a spokesperson for the firm "we can always use volunteers to assist with door-todoor canvasing, phone work, research and other services."

LESCOA is a fairly new organization, in their second year, the firm hopes to raise money to provide services to Pennsylvania residents and is excited to serve the residents of York. The agency requires annual training for their security officers and investigators on par with that of local law enforcement in terms of qualifications with firearms and other tools used by their officers.



Mason and Shane McQuaid train with other volunteers at a recent LESCOA training event. Photo by LESCOA staff

William Kaufman, an attorney, CPA and board member said "The agencies board of directors include attorneys, licensed investigators and others with knowledge that adds value to the mission."

As a 501(c)(3) all contributions and donations to LESCOA are tax deductible. The firm raises money through events like Give Local York and other events and fundraisers. Additionally, the firm raises money through fund raising events by providing personal protection training to individuals and other interested parties.

A spokesperson for the agency said "Times are changing and we feel the community has a need for our supplemental services to address security gaps and exposures experienced by citizens or other private and public safety service providers. People are often exposed and vulnerable to violence with nowhere to turn."

To donate to LESCOA's Give Local York effort visit www.givelocalyork.org then click on "leaderboard" to find LESCOA's page. You can also visit the agencies website at www.lescoa.com

