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**METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT**

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**St. Louis Police Foundation to Host 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Fall Sports  
Kickoff Luncheon**

*Joe Buck, Dan Dierdorf and Ozzie Smith talk sports to raise money for St. Louis police*

The St. Louis Police Foundation (“the Foundation”) will host its Fourth Annual Fall Sports Kickoff Luncheon on Tuesday, September, 7, 2010 at the America’s Center. The event will feature Chief Dan Isom of the Metropolitan Police Department, City of St. Louis (“the department”), Emmy award-winning sports broadcaster Joe Buck, and Hall of Famers Dan Dierdorf of the National Football League and Ozzie Smith of Major League Baseball. Individual tickets are \$100.

The Foundation partners with citizens, businesses and other charitable organizations to provide support to the department through monetary aid, services and goods. Since its formation in 2007, the Foundation has provided more than \$850,000 in support to the department, ranging from technology and equipment to training and programs.

The event begins at 11 a.m. with a Police Expo, featuring some of the technology officers use to help protect the public, including an armored vehicle and a robot used by the Bomb & Arson and Hostage Response Units. Officers assigned to the department’s Canine Unit will also have their canine partners on-hand for special demonstrations. The luncheon will also include tributes to the department’s 2009 employees of the year, Karl Johnson, Officer Kyle Chandler and Officer Joseph Haman.

**WHO: St. Louis Police Foundation**  
**WHAT: Fourth Annual Fall Sports Kickoff Luncheon**  
**WHERE: America’s Center**  
**WHEN: Tuesday, September 7, 2010**  
**Police Expo at 11 a.m., lunch at noon**

**Media welcome to attend, no ticket required. There will be a media table at the luncheon for your convenience. If you have questions about the Foundation or the luncheon, contact the Executive Director of the Foundation, Michelle Bagwell at 314-825-3455.**

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