

Police Therapist Continues to Provide Support Five Years After the September 11th Attacks

NEW YORK, NY – Aug. 21 (SEND2PRESS NEWSWIRE) – September 11, 2006 marks the five-year anniversary of the terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon; Police psychotherapist, Peter Killeen, Director of “The Police Connection,” continues to provide support through counseling and working with the Port Authority police unions.



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“The upcoming five-year anniversary of the September 11th attacks is a time for people to reflect on where we have been, where we are now, and where we are going,” said Killeen, also a former police officer and Franciscan Friar.

**(Photo Caption: Peter J. Killeen, Police Psychotherapist)*

The Police Connection is a 501(c)(3)not-for-profit entity, whose mission is to provide a variety of services for police officers, first responders and their families.

“Many of these individuals suffer from the delayed onset of Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, a debilitating condition, and will be in need of assistance

for years to come," Killeen said. "Psychological and physical issues continue to impact these individuals daily."

As a result of this ongoing need for support, Killeen created the "September 11 Support Fund."

Port Authority police officers will reunite with colleagues who they worked with during the rescue-recovery clean up. Reunions will take place over a two-day period and will be hosted, bi-annually, in a hotel setting. The gatherings will be informal and educative. The purpose is to offer emotional support to people who continue to struggle with the trauma of September 11.

Killeen holds two Master Degrees: Counseling Psychology and Theology, and is a nationally recognized, stress-management therapist, and a licensed alcohol and drug counselor. When September 11 happened, Killeen played an active counseling role, and worked directly with the Port Authority police force who suffered a loss of 37 officers.

Killeen's eclectic background in healthcare, theology and law enforcement makes him a much sought after talk show host. As host and producer of "The Police Connection Radio Show" and author of the political serial thriller "The Infidel Factor", he has been interviewed on many radio and television programs, including Court TV's "Crier Today," LETN (Law Enforcement Television Network), CNBC-TV, WOR Radio 710AM and NPR.

Killeen currently serves as a consultant with police unions and federal agencies as a stress specialist.

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