



Protecting Those Who Protect Us



announced that the 100 Club had purchased 10 new laptop computers for our volunteer lawyers to use in the program.

United Phoenix Firefighters Association President Billy Shields also made a special appearance to thank the board



Lawyers always have shared a common bond with police officers, firefighters and others who help maintain the rule of law and keep the public safe. And thanks to the State Bar of Arizona's Young Lawyers Division, that bond is growing.

Under the capable guidance and abundant enthusiasm of Tucson lawyer Jeff Jacobson, YLD has launched *Wills for Heroes*, a program that provides free wills, living wills and other probate forms for Arizona's emergency first responders. That includes paramedics, corrections officers, police officers and firefighters statewide.



YLD President Jeff Jacobson wears an honorary helmet given to him by the United Phoenix Firefighters Association (pictured are, from L to R, Division Chief Chris Ketterer and Captain Paul Knobbe, Jacobson, 100 Club Executive Director Sharon Knutson-Felix, UPFA President Billy Shields).



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The program has been growing over the past year as Jeff and estate planning attorneys Angela Moore, Patti Shelton and others have worked out the many logistics, drafted legal documents and engaged corporate partners. Their success is clear:

- Wills prepared: 325
- Pro bono hours: 500+
- Volunteer attorneys: 50+

A key partner in this program is the 100 Club of Arizona, a nonprofit organization that is focused on providing financial support to the families of public safety officers and firefighters who are seriously injured or killed in the line of duty.

At the November State Bar Board of Governors meeting, 100 Club Executive Director Sharon Knutson-Felix

for creating such an effective community partnership. Both Billy and Sharon will be present at a January 14 news conference when the State Bar unveils this program to the public.

Wills for Heroes focuses on giving back to our emergency first responders. I also thank the volunteer attorneys who yet again demonstrate that lawyers are leaders in our communities in so many ways.

Any attorney can volunteer for this program. Check it out at www.azbar.org/willsforheroes and e-mail us at sba.wfh@azbar.org. We'll figure out how to get you involved. **BT**