

# **The Fort Worth Police and Firefighter's Memorial**

## ***The Vision***



What can we possibly do to show our appreciation to those who have given so much to all of us?

Each day, the Peace Officers, Police and Fire Fighters of our community exemplify courage and commitment as they strive to assure a continuing safe environment for our City and its citizens. Usually we are unaware of the time and effort expended by these warriors in preventing crime or property damage. We sometimes take for granted the dedication and valor inherent in these individuals until an unfortunate event occurs, becomes newsworthy, and captures our attention. Yet, each is willing to face danger on a daily basis in order for us to enjoy a peaceful lifestyle. They risk their safety for our safety.

While there is a national memorial and several state and city memorials that have risen in years past to pay tribute to the lives of police officers and fire fighters who have fallen in the line of duty, Fort Worth has been unintentionally remiss in fulfilling its mission of expressing, in perpetuity, its appreciation and memory of our fallen heroes. The time has come to formally acknowledge and maintain this long overdue recognition in the creation of the Fort Worth Police and Fire Fighters Memorial.

A memorial is much more than an impersonal monument. Behind each name on every memorial there is a story...a story written in courage and lived through sacrifice...a tale of heroism and service. Our site in Trinity Park will be a living memorial and a constant reminder of our dependence upon and appreciation of those who continue to sacrifice their own welfare in favor of ours.

The Fort Worth Police and Fire Fighters Memorial Committee endeavors to build a memorial that will speak to our community about our fallen heroes, those "who gave much more than their part."

We owe them no less...they gave us so much more.