

# National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives



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## PRESS RELEASE

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### **NOBLE JOINS VARIOUS FERGUSON, MO STAKEHOLDERS IN CONDUCTING A NATIONAL FORUM ON POLICING & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

**ALEXANDRIA, VA** – The National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives (NOBLE) is in Ferguson, Missouri November 1-2, 2017 for community dialogue towards advancing policing in America. NOBLE is partnering with Ferguson City Councilmember Wesley Bell, academic institutions, researchers, criminal justice professionals, and civil rights organizations. This two day visit is supported by several community organizations and the faith-based community.

On November 1<sup>st</sup>, the Wellspring Church will host NOBLE’s “The Law and Your Community” presentation, which is made possible by a Department of Justice grant. The presentation is a conversation with law enforcement officials discussing general roles, responsibilities, and recourse when stopped by the police. The officers will elaborate on behaviors and steps to ensure everyone gets home safe.

On November 2<sup>nd</sup>, NOBLE is leveraging its partnership with Starbucks Coffee through the, “Coffee with a Cop” program. The discussions will be held at local education institutions and a conversation with Ferguson Police Chief Delrish Moss. Chief Moss, Starbucks, and NOBLE will be joined by local officials.

Starbucks, NOBLE, and other law enforcement organizations have partnered on more than 100 “Coffee with a Cop” events around the country. These events are opportunities for chiefs and sheriffs to step out of the office and into the community for coffee and conversation. NOBLE is proud to be a partner in the “Coffee with a Cop” program.

NOBLE’s partners and hosts for this two day visit include: Starbucks, Beyond Housing, Urban League, North County Police Cooperative, Rock The Community, See Justice Club at Florissant

Valley, Ol' Henry's restaurant, Ecumenical Leadership Council, Wellspring Church in Ferguson, Mom's Demand Action, and Young Voices With Action.

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### **About the National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives**

Since 1976, The National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives (NOBLE) has served as the conscience of law enforcement by being committed to justice by action. NOBLE represents over 3,000 members internationally, who are primarily African-American chief executive officers of law enforcement agencies at federal, state, county and municipal levels, other law enforcement administrators, and criminal justice practitioners. For more information, visit [www.noblenational.org](http://www.noblenational.org).

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