

### PSEA

### The Champions of Public Safety NON-PROFIT FOUNDATION





## PAWS.

### **People Are Worth Saving**

A project aimed at helping to reduce suicide, substance abuse and violent crime in rural Alaska.

# P.A.W.S.

A tool aimed at prevention and intervention of suicide, substance abuse and violent crime among Alaska's rural residents and the Alaska Native population. Off-Duty, Alaska Native, LEO's provide proactive versus reactive education, training, mentorship, and leadership. The basis for PAWS is the delivery of the program through traditional dog mushing expeditions.



#### **ELEMENTS OF PAWS**

- Humanitarian Mission
- Choices
- Leadership & Team Building
- Public Relations & Recruitment
- Expeditions



#### WHAT WE DO MATTERS, AND DOES MAKE A DIFFERENCE TO SOMEONE!





## CHALLENGES

- Geography
- Weather
- Distance
- Manpower
- Resources
- Communication
- Transportation
- Underreporting

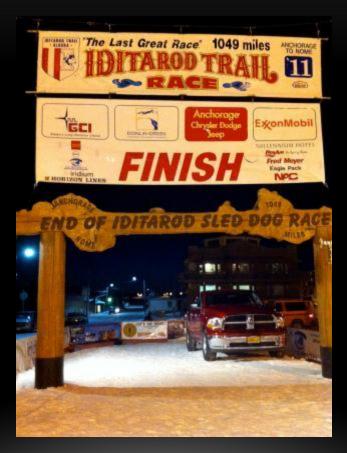


### **BENEFITS OF PAWS**

- Proactive, prevention focused approach to issues
- Unique rapport building using off-duty LEO's
- Alaska Native LEO's establishing and developing trust relationships with rural Alaskans
- Provides tools, strategies, training, and education framework to solve crime issues at a local level
- Shared Values (Pride, Culture, Heritage & Loyalty, Integrity, Courage)



### NOT A RACE TO A FINISH... A RACE TO SAVE LIVES!







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