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**BLUE CARES WELCOMES NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

*Amanda L. Gonzalez selected to lead SAPOA's community outreach organization.*

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*San Antonio, TX* — Blue Cares, the community outreach arm of the San Antonio Police Officers' Association (SAPOA), announced today that they selected Amanda L. Gonzalez to lead the organization and its programs. A San Antonio native, Gonzalez holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Baylor University and a Master of Arts degree from St. Mary's University. Currently, she is also a second-year doctoral student pursuing her Ph.D. in Educational Leadership Policy at Texas Tech University online. Her professional background is extensive in non-profit management, fundraising, public policy, and research. The daughter of a twenty-nine-year veteran of the Bexar County Sheriff's Office, Gonzalez believes in the organization's mission and looks forward to working alongside SAPOA leadership to help the least served in the community.

*"We're very happy to have chosen Amanda to lead Blue Cares because she understands the importance of community service, and that is what Blue Cares is all about,"* said Danny Diaz, SAPOA President. *"Amanda's proven track record of success, non-profit experience, and professional background will help drive the vision and values of the organization."*

As Executive Director, Gonzalez plans to refocus the Blue Cares mission and priorities to bring forth solutions to addressing the resource disparities many San Antonians face daily, which include: Poverty/Homelessness; Health/Safety; Education/Mentorship, Equity & Inclusion.

*"I am honored to have been selected as the next leader of Blue Cares,"* said Gonzalez. *"I look forward to using my knowledge and experience in non-profit management to elevate the mission of Blue Cares and build on the incredible work the organization has accomplished over the last 45 years."*

**About Blue Cares**

Blue Cares is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization and the community outreach arm of the San Antonio Police Officers' Association (SAPOA). Blue Cares provides year-round services and assistance to underprivileged, low-income, at-risk children and their families. Blue Cares works with local governmental and educational institutions, small and large local businesses, and other non-profit organizations to achieve its mission objectives. Blue Cares is primarily made up of three programs: Blue Santa, Project CJ, and the Blue Cares Scholarship program, all of which are graciously funded by SAPOA members, community fundraisers, individual donations, and corporate sponsors.

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