

As the Ocoee Police Department's newly appointed Chief of Police, it is my honor and privilege to lead this Agency and to serve our community. I understand and value the authority given to us as law enforcement officers is only effective if we are valued, trusted and respected by the community we serve. It is our honor to work with you to ensure the safety and security of all who live, work and visit our City. The Ocoee Police Department is established in our community by providing excellence in police service. We value the need to be transparent and honest in our relationship with the community.

I cannot tell you how much I am looking forward to continuing the great work of the Ocoee Police Department. Each day, our personnel work hand in hand with our community to ensure the outstanding quality of life in our City is maintained and enhanced. I look forward to our conversations to learn about your needs, to learn about what the Police Department is doing well and where we can grow. I will engage and listen to people from all corners of this City to make sure the Ocoee Police Department is inclusive of all community members and is providing the service the community deserves, wants and expects. Our City has a wonderful sense of community, pride, and a welcoming culture, which I experience each day as I travel around our City.

Our policing philosophy balances a foundation of policing concepts with innovative and progressive methods to help evolve our Agency into the future. Community problems are often best addressed by working in partnership with citizens. We will be sensitive to the needs of the community and partner with you to solve problems. Our Ocoee Police Department will be committed to community policing, expanding technology, developing three generations of leadership for our future, investing in employee development, and serving with integrity. Our personnel are trained in concepts of crisis intervention, de-escalation, fair and impartial policing, and accountability. We are committed to these concepts and will continue to ensure our personnel receive consistent training in these areas.

There are so many opportunities for you to partner with us to make our community, your neighborhood and business thrive. We invite and encourage our community to participate in our community-related programs and safety events, including the Public Safety Academy, Teen Academy, Volunteer Program, Police Reserve Program and many more. Join us on social media to learn about our community engagement efforts.

As your Chief of Police, I will always listen to your needs and strive to be open and honest with community members as well as the men and women with whom I serve. I believe maintaining a high level of professionalism within the Ocoee Police Department serves to maintain the quality of public safety citizens deserve and fosters collaborative efforts which result in enhanced community relations.

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