

General Order 45.3 - Community Policing

PURPOSE: Provide guidelines demonstrating the commitment of the Sedgwick County Sheriffs Office to maintain an effective community policing unit providing specialized community policing to the community, describe community policing programs, define community policing unit responsibilities, and define community policing deputy position.

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45.3.1 COMMUNITY POLICING PROGRAMS

- A. Policy.
 - 1. The Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office is committed to reducing crime and/or the fear of crime by assisting individuals and groups in resolving and addressing problems in the county.
- B. Goals.
 - 1. (*R*) The goals of the Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office community policing unit is to develop, organize, and implement programs to improve the quality of life in the community. These programs and solutions to problems or potentials problems

should be developed using partnerships within the community. To accomplish these goals, the Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office has committed resources that include personnel, equipment, and specialized training.

45.3.2 COMMUNITY POLICING UNIT RESPONSIBILITIES

- A. It is understood that all deputies and components of the Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office are responsible for achieving agency community policing goals and will assist one another in achieving these goals.
- B. The coordination of community policing projects is the responsibility of the community policing sergeant.
- C. It is the responsibility of the community policing unit to work with individuals, government officials, plus community and business leaders to proactively solve or prevent problems.

45.3.3 COMMUNITY POLICING DEPUTY

- A. The Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office community policing unit is responsible for developing and implementing programs that solve problems from occurring. The community policing unit is also responsible for continuing and establishing new programs as needed in the community.
- B. (*R*) The deputy should also strive to proactively solve problems or potential problems, develop and maintain working relationships with citizens, community and business leaders, organizations, and other governmental agencies who can help improve the quality of life for people in Sedgwick County.