#### **CURRENT MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS**

- Action in the Community Through Service (ACTS)
- Congregation Ner Shalom
- Dale City Civic Association
- Dar al Noor Islamic Center
- Grace Church
- Holy Family Catholic Church
- Mid-County Civic Association
- Park Valley Church
- Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc.
- Prince William Chamber of Commerce
- Prince William County Area Agency on Aging
- Prince William County Chapter, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP)
- Prince William County Chapter, Parents, Families, and Friends of the LGBTQ Community (PFLAG)
- Prince William County Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association
- Special Olympics
- Todos Market
- Virginians Organized for Interfaith Community Engagement (VOICE)
- Woodbridge Potomac Communities Civic Association



## Prince William County Police Department

The Prince William County Police Department provides law enforcement services to our community of 454,451\* residents. Our nationally accredited department, with an authorized strength of 673 sworn officers, is composed of four divisions and 13 bureaus.

\* as of December 2016

#### **Mission Statement**

The mission of the Prince William County Police Department is to enhance the quality of life by providing police services through shared responsibility with the public.

#### **Values Statement**

The Prince William County Police Department is responsible for protecting constitutional guarantees and impartially enforcing the law.

We believe that integrity is the basis of public trust and that honesty and equality in the delivery of police services is essential.

We commit ourselves to uphold these values and to foster cooperation and respect within our community.

# Prince William County Police Department

# Citizen Advisory Board



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### PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT

#### Citizen Advisory Board

#### WHAT IS THE CITIZEN ADVISORY BOARD?

The Citizen Advisory Board (CAB) consists of representatives from a diverse cross-section of organizations from throughout the Prince William community who meet on a regular basis to provide the Chief of Police with advice on a wide range of law enforcement topics and activities.

#### **BENEFITS**

#### To Agency:

- Transparency
- Credibility
- Support
- Outside Opinion
- Direct Feedback

#### To the Community:

- Knowledge of law enforcement operations
- Understanding of police policies
- Satisfaction from participation
- Sharing of ideas
- Direct involvement with Police Department
- Personal connection with Chief of Police



#### MISSION

The mission of the CAB is to enhance trust, communication and collaboration between the community and the Police Department in order to increase knowledge and understanding.

#### CITIZEN ADVISORY BOARD GOALS

Some of the goals of the CAB are to:

- Help the community gain an understanding of law enforcement operations, policies and procedures through training from Police Department staff and subject matter experts. In so doing, share ideas to strengthen the delivery of police services to the public.
- Aid in Police Department problem-solving efforts. Develop transformative solutions and best practices regarding police policies and culture.
- Work with the Police Department to ensure the agency is protecting constitutional guarantees and impartially enforcing the law, that bias-based policing and/or racial profiling will not be tolerated, and that the delivery of police services is provided equally, honestly and with integrity.

#### **CITIZEN ADVISORY BOARD AUTHORITY**

The CAB is advisory to the Police Department and offers advice and recommendations to the Chief of Police in regard to administrative and operational policies, procedures, training and other activities of the Prince William County Police Department to improve and enhance the delivery of police services to the community.

#### **TERM LENGTH**

The term length of rotating members of the CAB is one to three years. Permanent members serve indefinitely.



#### SIZE OF THE CITIZEN ADVISORY BOARD

The total CAB membership is between 15 to 25 members/organizations, consisting of both permanent and rotating members. Currently, the number of permanent members is 18 with no rotating members. The Chief of Police reserves the right to increase or decrease the number of CAB members.

#### **MEMBER SELECTION**

New members of the CAB are selected by the Chief of Police in consultation with the Citizens Advisory Board. CAB members can recommend/nominate potential members or organizations.

#### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

A five-member Executive Committee assists in facilitating the CAB, and the CAB selects a Chair and Vice-Chair.

#### MEETING SCHEDULE

The CAB meets monthly, or as necessary. Members are encouraged to attend all monthly meetings. If a member is absent more than three meetings in a calendar year, the CAB shall review the circumstances and determine whether their membership shall continue. The Chief of Police shall make the final decision.