Building Relationships of Trust Between the Community and the Police

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Who am I?

- Indianapolis Metro Police Dept. 1990-2013
- Patrol, Neighborhood Resource Officer
- Bainbridge Island PD 2013-Present
- FBINA
- SMIP
- FBI Command College
- Executive Leadership
- BS, MS School Board Pres, Scouts
- Mission to Vietnamese
- Medal of Valor



What will I accomplish?

I hope to share with you my vision of how to create strong bonds between the police and community and sustain a strong resilient police department.



What can you glean from listening to me?

- The basic efforts that must be made to change the culture and public perception.
- The process, effort and steps necessary in creating a trustworthy police dept.



Why Am I Here?

- I want to share what I have learned
- We are living in turbulent times
- As Managers, police issues are paramount



Reaching Out

- Prayer with Sabrina
- Meeting with aggrieved individuals without taking sides and looking back
- How to win friends and influence people
- Story of ICP
- Restaurant Manager
- Schools, teacher arrest



Do you Care?

- Scout projects on the island
- Chief for a Day
- Rotary
- Kiwanis
- Scout Leader
- Speaking at the schools, courts of honor
- AMSTED
- Police Youth Advisory Group



Everything we do is about relationships

- Reservoir of trust for future
- Willing to meet with critics
- Place burden on them, MIP story.
- What is the recommended methodology?
- Know your stuff, statistics story.
- Hold people accountable.
- Be above reproach, avoid the very appearance of evil



Summary

- Find the right person
- Commitment, history.



Questions/Comments?

Additional Information...

