



Knoxville Police Department

Mission Statement

PURSUIT OF EXCELLENCE IN PERFORMANCE AND SERVICE

The Knoxville Police Department shall strive for excellence in performance and delivery of services to the total community. We will recruit, employ, and maintain personnel who reflect high professional standards. The quality of performance will be evaluated by Department standards established to measure overall effectiveness. As we look to the future, it will be in a progressive and flexible manner that will meet tomorrow's community needs.

ETHICS AND VALUES

Knowing that law enforcement officers are held to a higher standard of conduct, the officers of the Knoxville Police Department shall strive to uphold the highest ethical ideals in both their professional and private lives. We shall take an active role in establishing and maintaining a professional image of law enforcement in all our contacts with the public we serve through honesty and integrity.

INTERACTION OF THE POLICE WITH THE COMMUNITY

We are committed to a police-community partnership in providing the delivery of police services. We shall accept a leadership role in increasing community understanding of our abilities and limitations. Proactive policing and crime prevention shall be our primary focus.

UTILIZATION OF HUMAN RESOURCES

The Knoxville Police Department is committed to constantly analyzing, evaluating and utilizing all available resources. We are committed to programs that will enhance the role of both employee and management while working for the betterment of the community.