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MEDIA RELEASE

Chief Spagnoli Announces Formation of the Police Chief's Advisory Panel

In support of the well-established, 20-year Police and Community Together (PACT) initiative, Police Chief Sandra Spagnoli announces the formation of a community panel, designed to expand the BHPD community outreach. The Chief's Advisory Panel will be established under the direction of the Chief of Police and created to act as a community resource for the Chief in the formation of strategies, development of community policing concepts and increasing public awareness. The Panel is intended to provide a forum for discussions concerning community concerns and the goal is to have a broad spectrum of viewpoints represented.

The rotating membership of the panel will be comprised of up to 20 citizens from throughout the community who represent a range of interests and experience. Members are from diverse backgrounds, including business, education, non-profits, public relations, faith-based community and more.

The role of the Panel members shall include (but not be limited to):

- Act as a sounding board for the Chief of Police regarding community needs and concerns, as well as provide community feedback to current and proposed police programs and priorities.
- Apprise the Chief of Police directly of the community's need for police services.
- Assist in educating the community at large about the function and role of the Beverly Hills Police Department.
- Attend monthly meetings.
- Be a City of Beverly Hills resident, business owner or active in the Beverly Hills community.

Member Selection

Members are selected by the Chief. Members are chosen to serve for a minimum of one year to a maximum of two years on the advisory panel and be selected for their commitment to the community. The Chief's Advisory Panel will be led by the Chief and chairperson.

Public safety is a partnership, and this panel will enhance public safety, foster community relationships, build trust and keep our community served safe.

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