



Dear Villagers,

Our state and country are in great pain. George Floyd's death can only be described as a senseless tragedy—for his family and friends, for everyone who believes in equity, and for those of us committed to making our community a place where everyone is welcome and safe.

St. Anthony Village strives to be one of those places. And you, our community is dedicated to a commitment of acceptance and equality.

We are joining people across the country and around the world in mourning Mr. Floyd. But it wasn't that long ago that we were the epicenter of the discussion about disparities in the criminal justice system. Since then, we have committed ourselves to learning, listening, and doing better.

Under the direction of Police Chief Jon Mangseth, your police department has undergone a transformation. Our officers are better trained and even more connected to our community than ever before.

We have focused our efforts on adopting 21st Century Policing Initiatives, including de-escalation, procedural justice, fair and impartial policing, crisis intervention, and communication. We have committed to using best practices and the best tools to serve our community in the best possible way. It's at the heart of everything we do, and it's guided by the work we've done with the Department of Justice Collaborative Reform Initiative for Technical Assistance Program. This is a journey that we are dedicated to each and every day, and for the long term.

Even during these times of difficulty and uncertainty, I've seen the best of what our Village has to offer. I've seen the community rally around one another to support people affected by COVID-19. I've seen our police officers and firefighters help people, every day and with care and respect.

Together, we will lean on one another and lift each other up. And together, we will continue to make a lasting change of achieving unity and equality for all.

Thank you, Villagers,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Randy Stille".

Randy Stille, Mayor