

PUBLIC SAFETY

Update from Police Chief Mangseth



Our motto is “Safety through Service”. We even put it on our vehicles. We want our entire community to know this is how we will show up for you; it’s embedded within our culture. It’s who we are and how we serve.

Your safety and wellbeing is our primary focus. We remain proactive in connecting those in need with supportive services. Our officers are equipped with "blue cards" that include helpful services for those who are victims of a crime, involved in a crisis, in need of adult/ juvenile protection, require drug/alcohol abuse intervention, or experiencing domestic violence.

We insist on building partnerships with other service providers to instill a holistic, public health focus to our service-based mindset and Safety through Service approach.

For example, we partner with Northeast Youth and Family Services (NYFS) and Ramsey County law enforcement agencies to provide a community-case-worker that reaches out to individuals and families in need of mental health support or basic family resources. This has helped reduce repeated police calls and unwanted use-of-force encounters, ultimately providing direct support to those in need. This not only aligns with our service-based mindset and holistic approach, but also strengthens our community.

We continue to learn, evolve and expand our resources

Our police officers are equipped with resources and receive continuing education to help mitigate crisis situations that can quickly evolve, becoming highly intense and emotional for all those involved.

We are committed to continuous, mandated training that focuses on:

- Crisis/mental health intervention.
- Conflict management and mediation.
- Recognizing and valuing community diversity.
- Cultural differences.
- Implicit bias.

So far this year, our officers took part in Crisis Intervention Team training (CIT) taught by our own in-house instructors. Their training focused on responding to individuals in crisis. The training’s holistic approach focuses on an ongoing collaboration among three community service providers—first responders, mental health professionals and community advocacy workers— to improve crisis response and prevention.

And to best serve our community, we ensure our officers remain healthy in mind, body, and spirit. We provide them with an officer wellness program where they receive a physical wellness plan, internal chaplaincy program, and a mandatory annual mental health checkup by a licensed psychologist.

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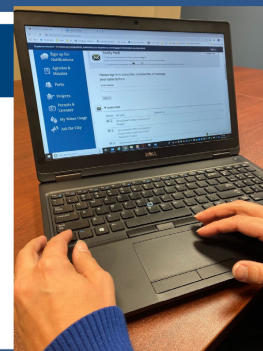
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Update From Police Chief Mangseth, continued-

Building trust and relationships through consistency

We truly want to engage with our community. We want to instill confidence that we are a trusted resource for you and your family, friends and neighbors. We want you to count on us.

Every single encounter we have within our community is an engagement opportunity. It's the lens by which we view everything we do. It's what marks the difference between a police department that participates in community engagement events, versus a department whose driving philosophy is based on regular, authentic engagement.

We will uphold a culture that emphasizes a service-based mindset. We remain focused, proactive, and determined. And we will work everyday to deepen your trust so we can best serve and protect you, and your fellow neighbors.

Visit police@savmn.com to learn more about the department's community-oriented policing model, view our department strategic plan and our mission/vision statements.

Go to <https://www.savmn.com/494/Accountable-and-Transparent> to view our entire police policy manual, traffic data and use-of-force reports, as well as crime-mapping features and weekly crime reports.

Future topics to cover

Do you have a topic of interest that you would like me to address in an upcoming Chief Update?

Please send your suggestions and ideas to jon.mangseth@savmn.com. ■

The St. Anthony Fire Department is hiring!

There will be an informational meeting June 29th, 7pm at the Fire Station

Contact the Fire Chief at mark.sitarz@savmn.com to learn more & RSVP



#9pm Routine

By, Officer Jim South

Do you have a #9PM Routine? If not, maybe you should start one. Why are we talking about it and what exactly is it? We all have heard of friends or neighbors who have forgot to lock their vehicles or close their garage doors and have become unnecessary victims of theft. Well, this is a way that we can all work together as a community to help thwart potential criminals.

Crime is on the rise around our area and we have recently had many vehicles rummaged through, items taken, vehicles taken and it has been difficult to catch the perpetrators. These are crimes of opportunity and we can all help stop it from happening.

What is the #9pm Routine? It is a way we can remind each other to make sure we do several things before we turn in for the night. Everyone can make their own checklist for what they do before bed but here are a few suggestions.

