

BUREAU OF POLICE 30x30 Initiative



Our Mission

To be a professionally responsive and innovative police agency, committed to providing outstanding service and protecting our community.

Our Core Values

Service, Integrity, Honor, Courage, Commitment, and Duty.







Lancaster City's Chief of Police

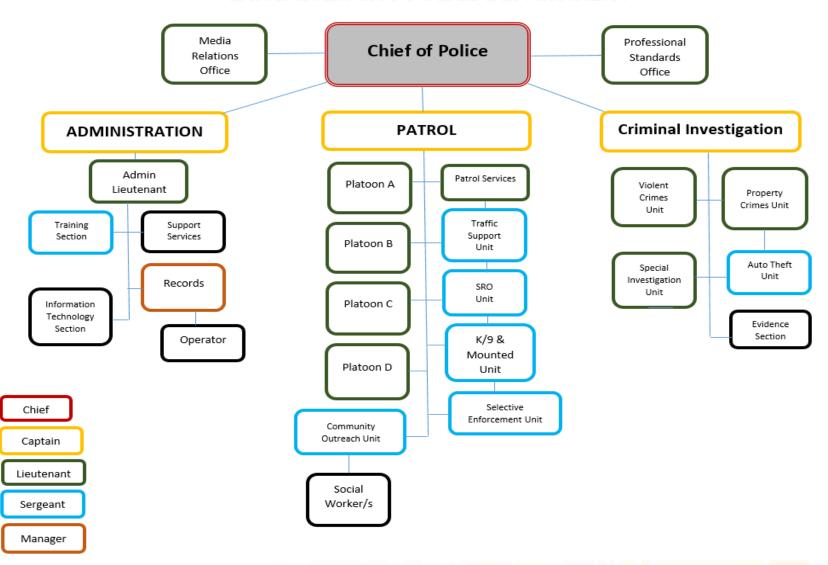
Chief Richard Mendez was appointed as the first Hispanic Chief of Police for the Lancaster City Police Bureau in July 2022.

Chief Mendez is a lifelong Lancaster City resident, a JP McCaskey High School graduate, and a 22-year veteran of the Bureau.

He was a member of the K-9 unit, the Selective Enforcement Unit, the Lancaster County Special Emergency Response Team, a platoon leader, and the captain of the Patrol Division, the largest division of the Bureau.



LANCASTER CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

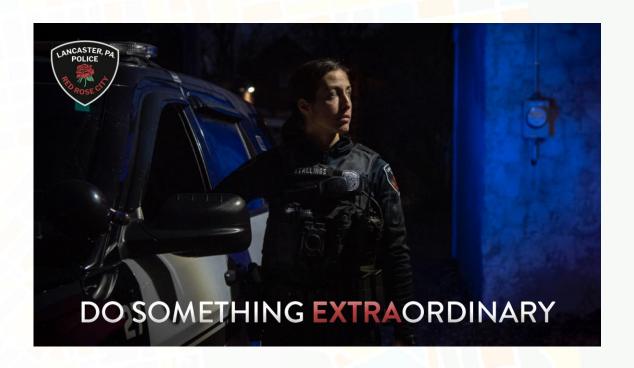




30x30 Initiative

The Lancaster City Bureau of Police has pledged to advance the representation and experiences of women in policing

- A series of low and no-cost actions policing agencies can take to improve the representation and experiences of women in law enforcement.
- Ultimately, the goal is to reach 30 percent of women in police recruit classes by 2030 and to ensure policing agencies are truly representative of the jurisdiction the agency serves.



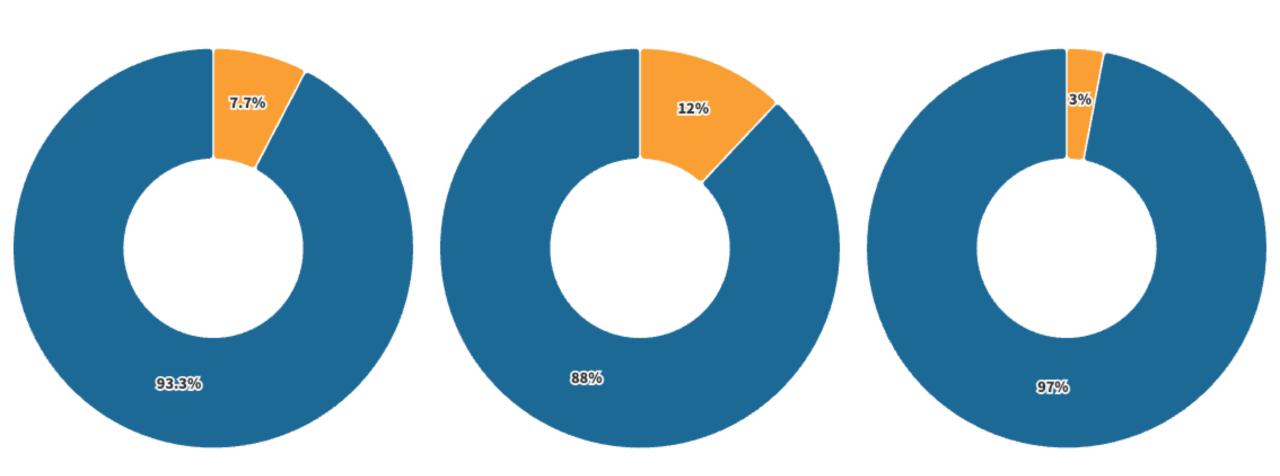
Women in Policing Statistics



% of Female Lancaster City Police Officers

% Female Sworn Officer Roles (National Average)

% of Women in Police Leadership Roles
(National Average)



Importance of Representation in Police Work



- Increased trust and legitimacy by the community
- Improved Cultural Competence
- Enhanced Problem-Solving
- Reduced Bias and Discrimination

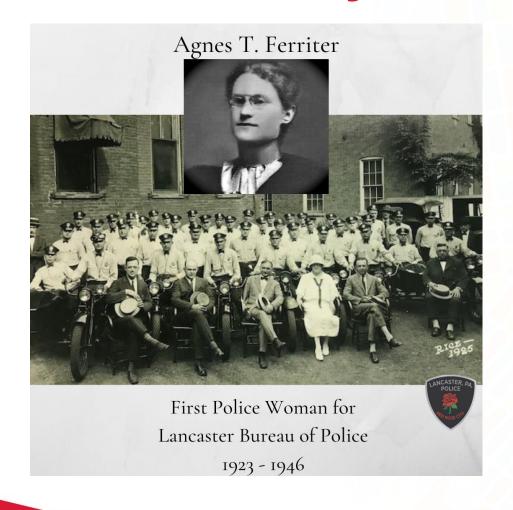
Research Shows the Benefits of Increasing Women's Representation in Policing

Research suggests women officers

- Use less force and excessive force
- Are name in fewer complaints and lawsuits
- Are perceived by communities as being more honest and compassionate
- See better outcomes for crime victims, especially in sexual assault cases
- Make fewer discretionary arrests, especially of non-white residents



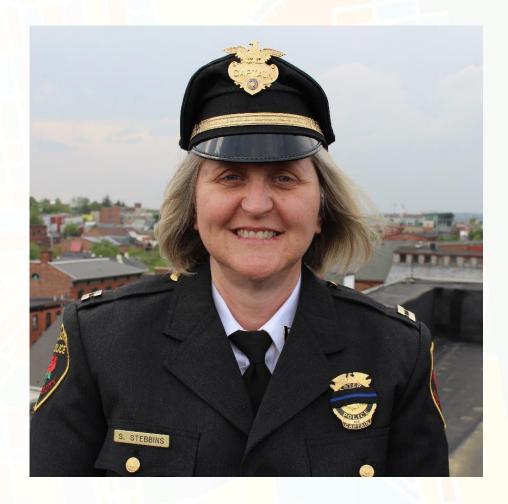
Lancaster City's First Police Woman



- On March 26, 1923, Agnes Ferriter officially became the first acknowledged policewoman with the Lancaster City Bureau of Police.
- She was also the first woman to hold such a position in the state of Pennsylvania.
- There was no job description beyond being advised that she was to work with women and juveniles. There were no handbooks or guidelines whatsoever.
- She collaborated with 2 other policewomen in preparing a police training handbook for women which served as a model throughout the country.
- She helped to establish a shelter for juvenile female offenders and set up a guidance counselor program.

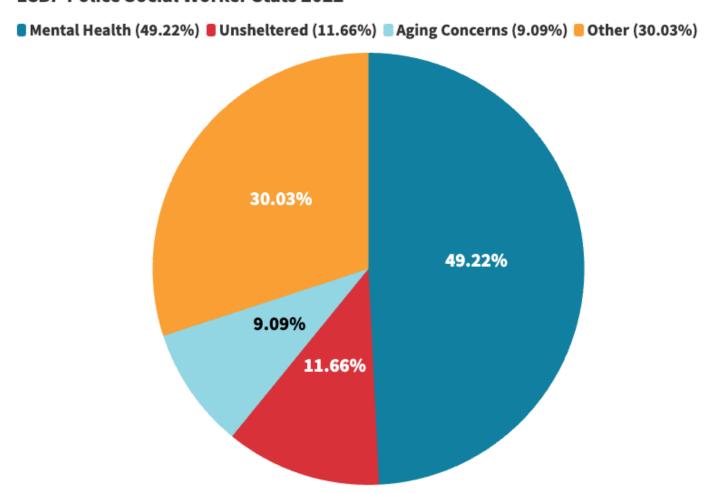
Lancaster City's First Female Police Captain

- In 2017, Sonja Stebbins was the Bureau's first female Captain.
- Served in Patrol, Community Policing, Drug Suppression Unit, Detective Division, and Patrol Services.
- Instrumental in implementing the Police Social Workers program at the Bureau.
- Captain Stebbins retired in January 2021, after almost 30 years of service.



Impact of Police Social Worker Program

LCBP Police Social Worker Stats 2022



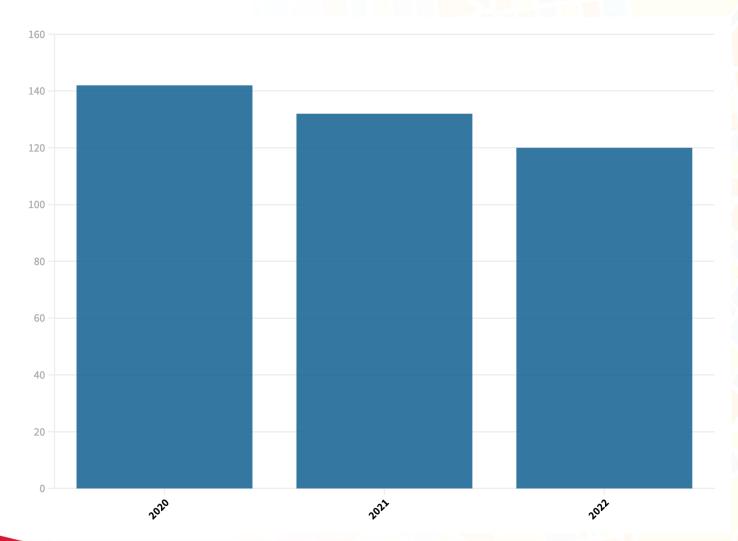


Recruitment Efforts





Need for Police Officers





Lead the Change. Don't Wait for it.













Hear More from the Women in Our Police Force

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Advancing the representation and experiences of women in the police force.







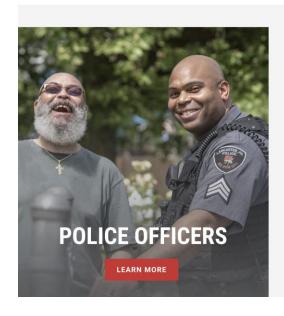
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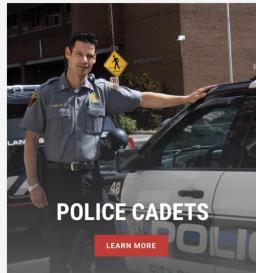
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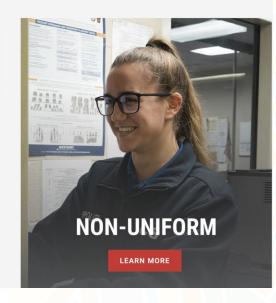


Police Cadet Non-Uniform

Contact a Recruiter









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