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Florida Police Chiefs Association Inducts New Leadership

Tallahassee, Fla. – The Florida Police Chiefs Association (FPCA) inducted its 2026 - 2027 leadership team at the FPCA's 74th Annual Summer Training Conference and Exposition held in Orlando, last week.

Newly designated FPCA president, Vero Beach Chief David Currey said, "I recognize that no president accomplishes anything alone. The strength of this association is found in its members, its board, and in the shared experiences of chiefs across Florida who face the same challenges and the same responsibilities. I look forward to working alongside all of you, and I will rely on your guidance, your wisdom, and your partnership."

Chief Currey laid out his priorities which included officer wellness, with a focus on chiefs as they begin to prepare for and move into retirement. Chief Currey said, "True wellness must extend beyond active service and into retirement. For many police chiefs, the transition from a career defined by leadership, purpose, and public service to civilian life can bring an unexpected sense of loss, isolation, and uncertainty. As an association, we have a responsibility to support our leaders through that transition just as we support them throughout their careers."

Chief Currey will be establishing a subcommittee dedicated to creating a "Chief-to-Civilian" mentorship track. This initiative will provide peer support, transition resources, and mentorship opportunities by connecting retiring chiefs with former members who have successfully navigated retirement and careers in the private sector. By sharing their experiences and guidance, these mentors can help ensure that our leaders leave the profession with the same support, dignity, and sense of purpose that they demonstrated while serving it.

Chief Currey commented in his closing that, "Taking care of our people means taking care of them at every stage of their journey—from their first day wearing the badge to their first day after setting it down. That is the commitment I intend to uphold."

President Currey was sworn in by his City Manager, Monte Falls.

The following individuals took positions on the FPCA Board:

President: Chief David Currey, Vero Beach PD

1st Vice President: Chief Lawrence Revell, Tallahassee PD

2nd Vice President: Chief John Barkley, Treasure Island PD

3rd Vice-President: Chief Jamie Cruse, Perry PD

Secretary / Treasurer: Chief Pam Smith, Punta Gorda PD

Immediate Past President: Chief Robert Bage, Fort Walton Beach PD

Past President at Large: Retired Chief Butch Arenal, Coconut Creek PD

Parliamentarian: Retired Chief Jeff Pearson, Satellite Beach PD

District #1 Chief Todd Garrison, North Port PD

District #2 Chief Michael Key, Neptune Beach PD

District #3 Chief Sean McGovern, Tallahassee State College PD

District #4 Chief Ed Hudak, Coral Gables PD

District #5 Chief Larry Krantz, Casselberry PD

District #6 Chief Leo Niemczyk, Port St. Lucie PD

District #7 Chief Tim Zander, Melbourne Beach PD

District #8 Chief Jesse Godfrey, Ormond Beach PD

District #9 Chief Jerry Connolly, Florida SouthWestern State College PD

District #10 Chief Barry Roberts, Springfield PD

District #11 Chief Stephen Kinsey, Davie PD

District #12 Chief Adam Geissenberger, Pinellas Park PD

District #13 Chief Sean Brammer, Florida Atlantic University PD

District #14 Chief Sarah Coursey, Tavares PD

District #15 Chief Art Bodenheimer, Lake Alfred PD

District #16 Chief Gerald Butler, Lake City PD

District #17 Chief Antoine Sheppard, High Springs PD

About the Florida Police Chiefs Association

The Florida Police Chiefs Association (FPCA) is the nation's pre-eminent law enforcement professional association, speaking for over 1,300 of Florida's top law enforcement executives and members, and providing guidance and leadership for the future of law enforcement and our communities. The FPCA serves municipal, airport, college and university, and tribal police departments, as well as private businesses and security firms and federal, state and county law enforcement agencies across every region of the state. For more information about the FPCA, please visit www.fpca.com.