



TOWN OF WYTHEVILLE DEPARTMENT OF THE MONTH – May 2024

Wytheville Police Department

The dedicated professionals of the Wytheville Police Department (WPD) serve a population of over 8,000 town citizens and thousands of visitors daily. The staff responds to the public safety needs of the community with the most effective measures available within existing resources with the primary focus of ensuring the safety and well-being of citizens and visitors. The thirty (30) members of the WPD team have over 400 years of public safety experience.

The WPD’s policing philosophy balances the foundation of traditional policing concepts with innovative and progressive methods to help evolve with our citizens into the future. Community problems are often best addressed by working in partnership with citizens; therefore, the WPD continually strives to improve public relations and increase public confidence. Hence the department’s motto: ***Positive Community Partnerships Make for Lasting Community Relations.***

“Under the leadership of Police Chief Joel Hash, the dedicated men and women of the Wytheville Police Department work to build partnerships between our resident, business, and corporate communities to identify and recommend solutions to public safety issues with the goal of improving the quality of life for our town,” said Wytheville Town Manager Brian Freeman.

NAME	JOB TITLE	YEARS OF SERVICE
Lonnie C. Anders, Jr.	Police Detective-First Sergeant	17 Years
Kenneth E. Akers, Jr.	Police Lieutenant Patrol	20 Years
Bryan S. Bard	Staff Lieutenant	10 Years
William K. Counts	Police Officer	2 Years
Gary W. Davenport	Deputy Chief	28 Years
Andrew P. Denham	Police Officer	1 Year
Isaac Diamond	Animal Control Officer	2 Years
Clarence R. Doyle	Police Officer	2 Years
Kenneth T. Grubb	Police Corporal	12 Years
Pamula H. Hall	Secretary/Public Safety	30 Years
Joel L. Hash, Jr.	Police Chief	38 Years
Brandi N. Holmes	Police Officer	1 Year
Joshua A. Jones	Police Corporal	4 Years
John Khachane	Police Officer	2 Years
George J. Kincer	Police Detective	1 Year
Charles T. Lester	Police Sergeant	22 Years
Todd S. Mathews	Police Corporal	13 Years
Cavin L. Newman	Police Officer	4 Years
David R. Newman	Police Officer	1 Year
John E. Oglesby	Police Officer	2 Years
Zachary T. Puckett	Police Sergeant	3 Years
Chastity M. Russell	Police Corporal	21 Years
Jerrod M. Sadler	Police Sergeant	3 Years
Leah J. Sayers	Accreditation Mgr/Deputy Clerk	2 Years
Brandon G. Smith	Police Sergeant	15 Years
Zachary H. Taylor	Police Detective	18 Years
Damien W. Thompson	Police Officer	1 Year
Darren W. Umberger	Police Officer	14 Years
Ernest L. Williams III	Police Officer	2 Years



Administration, Detectives, Animal Control



Teams A and B



Teams C and D

