

Biography



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Mike is in his twentieth year of law enforcement in suburban south Chicagoland area. He is currently serving as the Chief of Police for the Matteson Police Department. He is on the Executive Board for the South Suburban Chiefs of Police Association, as well as the South Suburban Emergency Response Team, where together with other leaders they ensure that over fifty different communities remain safe by increasing the efficiency of local police departments through mutual cooperative efforts. Mike is also a consultant and evaluator for a company that assists police departments throughout the country with their new police candidate hiring interviews and police officer promotional exams. He also serves on an Advisory Board for a local college where he ensures that potential future law enforcement officers are receiving the most up to date and useful curriculum.

Mike specializes in team building, leadership and increasing communication skills. He has worked a multitude of positions throughout his law enforcement career to include Field Training Officer, Range Master, Tactical Officer and Detective. Mike was assigned to the South Suburban Major Crimes Task Force where he investigated mainly homicides with a team of investigators throughout the south suburbs of Chicago. Mike was promoted to Patrol Sergeant in 2004. In 2009, Mike was reassigned to supervise the Criminal Investigations Division for the Matteson Police Department. He managed the Criminal Investigators and conducted hundreds of criminal investigations. He worked closely with the FBI and Secret Service on many of his major cases. He was responsible for all of the background investigations for all new Police and Fire candidates. He was also responsible for all Internal Affairs investigations for the department. He was promoted to Deputy Chief of Operations in 2012, then Police Chief in 2014. As Police Chief, Mike has successfully implemented new policies and programs to bridge the gap between police officers and their community. Mike has also increased the department's recruitment program and asset forfeiture programs.

As Chief of Police, Mike is a member of the South Suburban Chiefs Association, Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police, and the International Association of Chiefs of Police. He has a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Governors State University where he graduated Cum Laude, and is currently completing his Master's Degree in Public Administration. Mike has attended numerous supervisor and leadership courses throughout his career, including graduating from the ten week School of Police Staff and Command through Northwestern University. Mike specializes in the instruction of Leadership and Supervision and Recruitment and Background Investigations. His focus is to increase the competency and efficiency of law enforcement officers and other government related careers, as well as to build better community relations for a more positive police image.