



# New England Association of Chiefs of Police Award for Community Policing 2025-2026



## Categories:

- Law Enforcement with community under 15,000
- Law Enforcement with community 15,000 - 30,000
- Law Enforcement with community 30,000 - 50,000
- Law Enforcement with community over 50,000

## Please submit the following information to apply:

Agency Name:

Agency Address:

Website / Social Media Info:

Size and description of agency (sworn and non-sworn personnel actively involved in Community Policing):

## Size and description of community:

## Mission statement and how it involves Community Policing:

## Sustained Partners

## Contact Person

Name

Address

Phone:

Email:



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### Section One:

1. Give a brief summary of how the department has committed to the philosophy of community policing:
  - a. Collaboration with partners
  - b. Problem solving and innovation
  - c. Proactive measures

### 2. Problem Solving

The following questions ask about problem solving work by you and your agency during the last several years. Problem solving is a proactive, analytic process for systematically:

(Scanning) Identifying neighborhood problems through coordinated community/police assessments.

(Analysis) Collecting and analyzing information about the problems.

(Response) Developing and implementing responses with the potential for eliminating or reducing the problems.

(Assessment) Evaluating the responses to determine the effectiveness.

Problem solving goes beyond traditional crime responses to proactively address a multitude of problems that adversely affect quality of life such as traffic issues, noise complaints, nuisance calls, etc.

- 2a. Please identify a specific community or neighborhood problem that your department addressed over the last few years.

- 2b. Outline how you gathered information about the victims/citizens affected by a problem and the suspects/individuals contributing to the problem?



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### Analysis

2c. Explain how you used police or other data to analyze the problem. Please explain how you examined a comprehensive set of factors, such as the location, day of week, time of day, season and environmental factors (e.g., street lighting and landscape)?

2d. Were you able to use police data such as calls for service, incident data or crash reports for example to document the problem?

2e. Describe how you documented the problem using discussions or interviews with residents, business owners or other local stakeholders.

### Response

2f. Describe any internal police partnerships that you used to address the issue such as patrol, detectives or school resource officers.



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2g. Describe any other public partnerships such as schools, public works, elder affairs offices that your partnered with to address the problem.

2h. Identify any other community partners that assisted in developing solutions to the problem.

2i. Describe any research you conducted to develop a solution to your problem such as using the Arizona State University Center for Problem-Oriented Policing <https://popcenter.asu.edu/> or the U.S. Department of Justice Crime Solutions website <https://crimesolutions.ojp.gov/>

2j. What measures did you use to assess the effectiveness of your response? Were you able to use data from your police systems or use some non-traditional measures to assess your results?





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### **Please include three (3) letters of reference**

#### **Section Two:**

Please attach the following documentation highlighting your department's commitment to Community Policing:

- A. Evidence based documentation, grant information, news releases, brochures, etc.
- B. Letters from collaborating partners
- C. Pictures or videos of events

#### **Submission:**

**Chief Executive must be a member of NEACOP**

**The application is limited to ten pages and should provide a brief history of Community Policing programs your Department has participated in the past and have continued to participate in during 2025 - 2026.**

**All entries will be sent via e-mail and will be received by June 15, 2026.**

Send all entries to: Jamie Hainsworth Email: [jhainsworth@courts.ri.gov](mailto:jhainsworth@courts.ri.gov)

Jamie's cell is 401-486-1882 if you have any issues submitting this application.

#### **Scoring**

Only fully completed entries will be judged

A number system (1 through 10) will be used for the first six (6) questions (Section One)

A number system (1 through 10) will be used for the next three (3) questions (Section Two)

Each entry will be scored 1 through 10 for the overall entry

The top three (3) entries in each category will be interviewed and/or visited by member(s) of the committee.

**Notice - Winners of previous awards cannot reapply until a 3 year period passes**