

Township of O'Hara Community Liaison Officer Program

The Township of O'Hara Council has found it important to create a Community Liaison Officer(s) within our Police Department. The officer(s) will interact, develop relationships and collaborate with our residents, communities, groups, businesses, visitors and neighbors to promote communication and foster co-operation and understanding.

Our Community Liaison Officer(s) will focus on connecting our Police Department with our communities. Effort will be made to engage with the Black, Latinx, and other communities of color, Native American Nations, ethnic and religious groups and communities, the LGBTQ community, culturally-specific communities, neighborhoods, community groups and others to foster co-operation and understanding. A safe environment for the free flow of conversation and ideas will be maintained to seek opinions from citizens about policing and identify any concerns. It is hoped that these conversations, discussions, ideas create positive experiences in how we interact and police the Township. It is also expected that the program will foster additional public trust in our Police Officers and Department.

The Community Liaison Officer(s) will be made available to meet with residents, neighbors, communities and visitors for public safety education for all age groups on multiple topics.

Our Community Liaison Officer(s) will be available to partner with residents, communities, groups, businesses, neighbors and visitors to focus on areas of specific concern(s). The Officer(s) will develop an extensive knowledge of the concern(s) and work to provide assistance for a positive outcome.

The Community Liaison Officer(s) will be encouraged to go out into the Township to meet and visit with our residents, communities, groups, businesses, neighbors and visitors. Our Officer(s) will at all times while acting as a Community Liaison be approachable and interactive.

Council believes that this program will improve access to policing services and greatly improve communications between our Police Department, residents, communities, groups, businesses, neighbors and visitors.

If anyone would like to reach out to our Community Liaison Officer(s) please call (412) 782-1403 and ask to speak to an officer or e-mail communityliaison@ohara.pa.us.