

La Plata Police Department – General Order

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01 POLICY: It is the policy of the La Plata Police Department to maintain a professional working relationship with all allied law enforcement agencies, public safety agencies, other criminal justice practitioners and social service agencies, both public and private.

02 RELATIONSHIPS WITH ALLIED LAW ENFORCEMENT:

- A. It is the responsibility of every employee to maintain a good working relationship and a line of open communication with all allied agencies.
- B. Serious policy/procedural differences or problems will be brought to the attention of the appropriate Division Commander and/or the Chief of Police for resolution.
- C. All employees will cooperate in allied agency investigations and freely share information when appropriate.

03 RELATIONSHIPS WITH PUBLIC SAFETY AGENCIES: It is the responsibility of every employee to maintain a good working relationship, open line of communication and cooperation with other public safety organizations. This includes the numerous fire companies that serve the Town of La Plata, as well as other public safety agencies that touch the lives of Town residents routinely.

04 RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE CHARLES COUNTY STATE’S ATTORNEY’S OFFICE:

- A. Whenever possible, officers will coordinate appointments and prepare for any discussion in advance with the State’s Attorney’s Office.
- B. Officers shall freely consult Assistant State’s Attorney’s during investigations, planning for arrests, pre-trial deliberations and questions of law or criminal procedure.

05 RELATIONSHIPS WITH SOCIAL SERVICE AGENCIES: Employees will assist social service agencies within the scope of his/her authority. There shall be a spirit of cooperation between the Department and the various social service agencies that serve the citizens of La Plata, both public and private.