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THE NEWSLETTER OF TEMPLE UNIVERSITY'S DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Chief's Corner: A Final Reflection

As I prepare for my final day at Temple University on June 30, I want to take a moment to reflect with gratitude and appreciation for the opportunity to serve this remarkable community. For the past four years, it has been my honor to stand beside the dedicated members of Temple University Department of Public Safety and work alongside students, faculty, staff and our North Philadelphia neighbors to help build a safer, stronger and more connected community. Together, we have made progress. We invested in the future of public safety by enhancing technology, modernizing equipment, strengthening training and creating systems that better support our teams and the communities we serve. Officers received upgraded vehicles, computers, radios and expanded training opportunities designed to prepare them for an evolving public safety environment. But our greatest accomplishments were never about equipment. It was about people. Whether serving on patrol, dispatching calls for service, supporting investigations, securing our buildings or maintaining technology, every member of this department played a role in creating a stronger and more effective organization. We also embraced a broader vision of public safety that is one rooted in relationships, visibility, wellness and community engagement. Through outreach efforts, partnerships and daily interactions, we worked to strengthen trust and reinforce that safety is something we build together. Over these four years, we also faced difficult moments. None more profound than the loss of Sgt. Fitzgerald. Through that tragedy and other challenges, I witnessed extraordinary compassion, professionalism and resilience. I saw this department support one another, support the University and continue serving at the highest level. Those moments will remain with me forever. Change is rarely easy, but I am incredibly proud of how this department embraced it. I leave with a full heart and deep appreciation for the trust, friendship and partnership shared throughout this journey. Temple and North Philadelphia will always hold a special place in my heart, and I look forward to watching your continued success from afar. Thank you for allowing me the privilege of serving alongside you. It has been an honor.

-Jennifer Griffin, Chief of Police and Vice President for Public Safety



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The Caroline Kimmel Pavilion for Arts and Communication

Temple University Police Captain Enoch McCoy was proud to stand alongside members of the Temple community to sign the final beam for the Caroline Kimmel Pavilion for Arts and Communication. The center will be the new home for Klein College of Media and Communication and the Center for the Performing and Cinematic Arts.



Continuing Training

Congratulations to our Temple University Police Officers and all members from Philadelphia Police, Jefferson University Police and Penn Police who recently completed the latest Crisis Intervention Course for Law Enforcement. This important training strengthens officers' ability to respond with compassion, understanding and care during crisis situations. We're proud to learn alongside our regional partners as we continue building these critical skills together.



A Night to Remember

It was a night to remember in Center City, Philadelphia, as students from Carver High School of Engineering and Science gathered for prom. Temple University police officers provided formal wear for several students to show support for our North Philadelphia neighbors. For junior Maurice Urbina, the support from officers added to the experience. "It made me feel excited that someone is there helping me every step of the way," he said. "Their smiles and sincere appreciation made it all worth it," said Temple officer Arashdeep Bawa. [Read more.](#)



Temple Police Honored with Multi Unit Award

Temple University Police Officers were recognized at the 45th Annual Law Enforcement Appreciation Day Luncheon hosted by the Citizens Crime Commission of the Delaware Valley. Alongside partners from the Philadelphia Department of Prisons Security and Intelligence Unit and Philadelphia Police, they received the Multi Unit Award honoring collaborative service. Congratulations!

