



# PROUD TU SERVE

THE NEWSLETTER OF TEMPLE UNIVERSITY'S DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

#### **Chief's Corner**

For the first time in decades, those who are pursuing careers as new Temple police officers are now training at the Temple University Police Academy. This marks an exciting shift that will allow Temple police cadets to complete graduation more quickly at one of the first police academies in the Commonwealth. Previously, Temple police cadets were trained at the Philadelphia Police Academy, which was a nine-month course. However, having them train at the TU Police Academy allows for them to complete graduation in just six months, and avoids them sitting around while the PPD cadets are taught PPD policies that are not relevant to TU. At the TU Police Academy, cadets are also building stronger relationships with the university. I want to take a moment to spotlight our colleague, Chris Willard, a dedicated member of TUDPS. Director Willard served as the director of the TU Police Academy for 15 years and before that, she taught physical training at the academy, which she continues to teach. Director Willard has a passion for policing and a true desire to positively impact our department from the beginning of a career to retirement. We are thrilled to have more contact with our cadets, and to get them to campus months sooner. -Jennifer Griffin, Chief of Police and Vice President for Public Safety





retired Pennsylvania State Police

Captain.

### Meet Temple's new Police Captain of Patrol Operations: James Hennigan

The New Year saw a new member of Temple University's Department of Public Safety (TUDPS): Police Captain of Patrol Operations James Hennigan. The retired Pennsylvania State Police (PSP) Captain brings more than two decades of law enforcement experience to the Nest. He had served in various roles, including the Captain and Director of Operations of the Pennsylvania State Police Bureau of Liquor Control Enforcement; Station Commander Troop K; Criminal Investigation Section Supervisor, and an Integrity and Professional Standards supervisor to name a few. He earned a Master of Science in Criminal Justice from St. Joe's. In his new role, Capt. Hennigan will oversee and support police and patrol operations to make North Philadelphia safer for students, faculty, staff and neighbors. "I'm proud to serve the Temple community. This position will allow me to make genuine connections with the people I'm helping," he said. Jennifer Griffin, chief of police and vice president for Public Safety, said Hennigan brings vast experience and enthusiasm to the role. "I am confident that with Captain Hennigan's knowledge, experience and our commitment to supporting him, he will make a strong contribution to our existing team," Griffin said. Hennigan is also a sports aficionado and a big Eagles fan. Welcome, aboard!





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#### **Health and Wellness**

Many of us make resolutions in the New Year to workout more, but the hardest part of those is to keep going. Here are five steps to keep motivated. First, find new ways to keep inspired, like a new playlist. Second, mixup your workout times. So instead of the normal sixty minutes at the gym, sometimes it's good to swap it for 30 minutes. Third, workout with others, whether that's meeting a friend for a walk or doing a social run with a local running club. Fourth, switch up your routines. For instance, try that new yoga class at the gym. Finally, give yourself a present. Rewarding yourself for sticking with your fitness goals, like buying a pair of new running shoes or new water bottle, can help keep you motivated.

-Chris Willard, Director of Tactical and Professional Development





Joshua Nussbaum, Deputy Director of Emergency Management, encourages the Temple community to download the TU Safe app.

#### **OEM Minute**

The Office of Emergency Management continues to promote safety on and around campus with a newly re-launched program called Emergency Preparedness Training. Every month, OEM is proactively connecting with different colleges and student groups to provide safety resources and awareness information. So far, OEM held four Emergency Prepardness Trainings this month. "We enjoy doing these trainings and can tailor them to specific colleges or student groups," said Joshua Nussbaum, Deputy Director of Emergency Management, adding that the presentations can be in-person or virtual.

If you would like for OEM to present to your group, email Deputy Director Nussbaum at: joshua.nussbaum@temple.edu

## Know someone seeking employment?

Refer your friends to work with us and Public Safety will offer a \$500 referral payment for eligible positions through TERP. The referral payment amount will be paid after the referred employee successfully completes 90 days of employment. Contact Amber

James, Associate Director of Administrative Operations, for more information: Aajames@Temple.edu

# Advisory Committee, which is organized by Temple University's Department of Public Safety, will be held on Feb. 12th at 2pm. If you're interested in joining us for our inaugural meeting of the Spring Semester, contact TUDPS Director of Communications Matt Petrillo: Matt.Petrillo@Temple.edu. The Committee meets monthly. We're always looking for new members to join us and find safety solutions together.



