

Wayne R. Booher
Chief of Police
Tolleson Police Department

Wayne Booher currently serves as the Chief of Police for the Tolleson Police Department.

Chief Booher is a Native of Arizona; born at Luke Air Force Base and raised in the West Valley where he currently lives. He has been a certified Police Officer for 28 years and has held a variety of positions within the Tolleson Police Department which include Patrol Officer, Patrol Sergeant, Patrol Lieutenant, Operations Commander and now Chief of Police.

Chief Booher has been instrumental with the implementation of many “firsts” within the Tolleson Police Department. First K-9 Program, First Motorcycle Traffic Program, First SWAT Program, First School Resource Officer Program, First Explorers Post, First Community Relations Program and First Bicycle Program just to name a few.

Chief Booher has been the recipient of several awards which include:

FBI National Academy Yellow Brick Road
City Managers In Search of Excellence Award (twice received)
Meritorious Service Award
Medal of Lifesaving
Firearms Expert Pistol
MADD DUI Officer of the Year (twice received)
Numerous Field Commendations

Chief Booher has been active in Law Enforcement Training and currently holds or has held the following certifications:

National Incident Management System Certified
Incident Command Certified
General Instructor
Physical Fitness Certified Instructor
Defense Tactics Certified Instructor
Taser Instructor
AGTS Supervisors Academy
Naval Postgraduate School...Center for Homeland Defense and Security

He has now focused on the development of Leadership within the Tolleson Police Department.

Chief Booher has earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Career and Technical Education from Northern Arizona University; graduating with a 4.0 GPA. He is also

recognized as a Certified Public Manager (CPM) through the Arizona State University Public Executive Program.

Chief Booher is the first Tolleson Police Officer to attend the FBI National Academy and is a Graduate of the 215th Session. He is also the first Tolleson Police Officer to attend and graduate from Northwestern University's School of Police Staff and Command. He has previously served as adjunct faculty at Glendale Community College where he taught Police and the Community.

Chief Booher has extensive grant management experience having managed and applied for numerous grants for the Tolleson Police Department in an effort to fund needed programs. These grants include:

Arizona Department of Homeland Security UASI Grant
Gila River Indian Community Grant
Governors Officer of Highway Safety Grant
DOT/Federal Motor Carrier Safety Grant
Arizona Criminal Justice Commission Grant
Byrne/JAG Grant
100 Club Grant
Triple Nine Foundation Grant
Local Law Enforcement Block Grant
Arizona DUI Abatement Council Grant

Chief Booher is an active/past member in good standing with the following professional associations:

International Association of Chiefs of Police
Arizona Association of Chiefs of Police
West Valley Association of Chiefs of Police
Arizona Chapter of the FBI National Academy Associates
International Property and Evidence Association...Past member
Arizona Crime Prevention Association...Past Member

Chief Booher subscribes to and strives daily to implement the Six Pillars of Policing as identified by President Obama's Task Force on 21st Century Policing into the Tolleson Police Department. These pillars are:

1. Building Trust and Legitimacy
2. Policy and Oversight
3. Technology and Social Media
4. Community Policing and Crime Reduction
5. Training and Education
6. Officer Wellness and Safety

Chief Booher believes that building Strong Relationships is the key to reducing crime and making the community safer. Fostering public trust along with serving all people with dignity and respect are the values of his administration. He works hard at personnel development to ensure that the service levels to the community are the highest they can possibly be.

Chief Booher is married with an extensive family in Arizona which includes adult children, grandchildren, brothers, nieces, nephews and in laws. He has a great love and appreciation for music and some of his hobbies include home improvement projects, BBQ-ing, attending concerts, fishing, RV-ing, off-roading and a variety of family/friend oriented activities.