

THE PRESIDENT'S TASK FORCE ON 21ST CENTURY POLICING

Charlie Beck

Charlie Beck serves as the Chief of Police for the second largest city in the United States, managing approximately 10,000 sworn and 3,000 civilian employees, encompassing an area of 473 square miles, a population of approximately 3.8 million people, and an annual budget where salaries exceed one billion dollars.

By promoting his predecessor's successful reengineering and reform effort, Chief Beck continues to evolve and refine those strategies to further the Department's position as the most effective and progressive law enforcement agency in the nation.

Chief Beck's law enforcement roots run deep with three generations of the Becks woven into the history of the Los Angeles Police Department. Chief Beck's father, George Beck retired from the Los Angeles Police Department as a Deputy Chief; his sister, Megan, retired at the rank of Detective; his two children are Los Angeles Police Officers.

Chief Beck was appointed to the Los Angeles Police Department in March 1977 after serving two years in the Los Angeles Police Reserve Corps. Chief Beck steadily rose through the ranks of the Department and was assigned as the Chief of Detectives, Detective Bureau, prior to his appointment as the 56th Chief of Police in the Los Angeles Police Department.