

THE PRESIDENT'S TASK FORCE ON 21ST CENTURY POLICING

Mark A. Magaw

Mark A. Magaw was sworn in as the Chief of Police for Prince George's County, Maryland on July 5, 2011. Chief Magaw is a thirty-year veteran of the Prince George's County Police Department. He grew up in Prince George's County and attended Bowie High School. A graduate of James Madison University with a degree in Education, he was a four-year member of the University football team and was named "All American" by the Associated Press in his senior year. Chief Magaw also received a Masters Degree in Management from Johns Hopkins University in 2008.

Chief Magaw started his law enforcement career with the United States Secret Service Uniform Division serving two years before joining the Prince George's County Police Department where he is a highly decorated and well respected commander known for his integrity, vision and community involvement. Chief Magaw has served the agency in numerous capacities to include most recently as the Deputy Chief of the Strategic Management Bureau. He has also served as the Commander of the Narcotic Enforcement Division, where he directed our agency's participation in several Federal task forces. Chief Magaw also commanded the Planning and Research Division, the District I Station in Hyattsville and was the Acting Commander of the District VI Station. Other assignments entailed a command in the Criminal Investigations Division where he oversaw the Special Crimes Section which included the Sexual Assault, Child Abuse and Victim Services Units. Chief Magaw's major accomplishments include establishing the Behavioral Sciences Unit in the Criminal Investigations Division and the Regional Area Gang Enforcement Unit for the agency.

Chief Magaw has received specialized training with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, the Anti-Defamation League, the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the Department of Justice. He is a graduate to the Federal Bureau of Investigation's National Executive Institute. He is a member of the policy board for the Middle Atlantic-Great Lakes Organized Crime Law Enforcement Network (MAGLOCLLEN). Chief Magaw is also a member of the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP), the Major Cities Chief's Association, and the Police Executive Research Forum (PERF). Chief Magaw serves as the Chairman of the IACP's Firearms Committee, he is also the former Chairman of the Baltimore/Washington High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas' (HIDTA) Executive Board, the former Chairman of the Council of Governments' (COG) Chief's Committee. Chief Magaw also served on the Steering Committee for the joint Prince George's and Montgomery County Gang Prevention Task Force.

Chief Magaw comes from family with a long tradition of law enforcement service. He has been married for 33 years and is the father of four children and has three grandchildren.