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I. POLICY

The Bowie Police Department performs a variety of planning and research functions, such as analysis of reported crimes and requests for service, departmental planning and budgeting, liaison with other criminal justice agencies, and developing operational procedures and policy guidelines. These functions and related activities are performed by public safety personnel and supervisors under the direction of the Chief of Police.

II. PLANNING AND RESEARCH FUNCTION (CALEA 15.1.1)

A. The planning and research function is assigned to the Captain.

B. The Captain is responsible for research and development with regard to:

1. Developing Departmental policies and procedures;

2. Conducting research on specific issues as assigned.

C. Planning and research is responsible for dissemination of analytical reports to affected personnel.

III. PLANNING AND RESEARCH-ORGANIZATIONAL PLACEMENT

The planning and research function is assigned to the Captain. To effectively operate this function: (CALEA 15.1.2)

A. The Captain is provided access to all Departmental information resources, to ensure the ability to collect data and make programmatic recommendations.

B. The planning and research function operates under the Captain, who in turn reports directly to the Chief of Police.
IV. MULTI-YEAR PLAN

The City of Bowie Police Department maintains a current multi-year plan which articulates goals and objectives and a plan for achieving them. The plan also anticipates long-term problems and suggests alternative solutions to them. The multi-year plan is the responsibility of the Chief of Police, and includes the following:

A. Development of long-term goals and operational objectives; (CALEA 15.1.3.a)

B. Anticipation of population trends and their impact on workload; (CALEA 15.1.3.b)

C. Anticipation of personnel levels, using budget projections. (CALEA 15.1.3.c)

D. Projections for capital improvements and equipment needs, based on legislative requirements, depreciation of existing equipment, new technology and improvements in the quality and level of public service; and, (CALEA 15.1.3.d)

E. The multi-year plan will be updated as necessary, but reviewed at least once a year. (CALEA 15.1.3.e)

V. ANALYTICAL REPORTS

A. Quarterly analytical reports are prepared for the City Council members as well as citizens including: Police Activity, Traffic Enforcement, Response Times and Volume of Calls for Service.