



# City of Thomasville

North Carolina  
Police Department

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Chief of Police



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Mayor Raleigh York Jr.  
Thomasville City Council  
Citizens of Thomasville

Members of the Thomasville Police Department are deeply concerned with the actions of the police officers in Minnesota during the arrest of Mr. George Floyd. We do not condone the actions that were taken that day. Their actions do not reflect the good that the many other officers do here and across the nation.

The Thomasville Police Department has the responsibility of providing a diverse variety of services to our community. These services include protecting the rights and liberties of citizens, preventing and controlling crime, arresting offenders, aiding citizens in distress, resolving conflicts, and maintaining general order for the safety of all citizens.

Our officers have accepted the challenge to defend the innocent, protect the weak, and aid the distressed; and to do so without fear, favour, or prejudice. Our police officers strive for the highest level of integrity in our professional careers and personal lives, while holding themselves to a high degree of accountability.

We believe that our primary mission is to serve our citizens by developing partnerships with the community in order to protect life and property, prevent crime, and resolve issues. The Police Department promotes a proactive response toward our citizens' fear of crime and victimization, while stressing the police officer's role in a community-oriented network, rather than as someone who is called only when there is a problem.

Our officers receive numerous hours of training every year in a variety of subjects, including Crisis Intervention Training, Sensitivity Training, and Leadership: Modelling Appropriate Behaviour. They apply this training every day, striving to make Thomasville a better community for all.

I welcome the opportunity to discuss concerns and to listen to suggestions that you may have regarding policing policies, procedures, and activities. You may contact me directly at 336-475-4274 or email me at [mark.kattner@thomasville-nc.gov](mailto:mark.kattner@thomasville-nc.gov).

Yours in Service,

Mark Kattner, Chief  
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