POLICE DEPARTMENT CITY OF NEW YORK AUXILIARY POLICE SECTION



A.P.S. BULLETIN #23

SUBJECT: FAREWELL MESSAGE FROM THE COMMANDING OFFICER AUXILIARY POLICE SECTION

On Wednesday, October 6, 2010, I will be performing my final tour of duty with the New York City Police Department. This completes over 40 years of service, of which the majority of the past 20 years were with the Auxiliary Police Section. My service at the Auxiliary Police Section has been a most rewarding experience of which I am most proud and a true partnership of building for the present and future.

Since 1996, I have served as the Commanding Officer of the citywide Auxiliary Police Program, overseeing the 4,500 volunteers who serve their communities, some for many years, by performing uniform patrol as "Eyes and Ears" for the Police Department. The Auxiliary Police Program is the nations' largest volunteer crime prevention program and is an integral component of the Department's Police/Community relations effort and offers our citizens and community residents a vehicle to promote public safety through personal participation. My interactions with our Auxiliary Police members and Auxiliary Police Coordinators over the years I believe has made a significant difference in "bridging the gap" between the police and the community. I sincerely thank you for your service, and especially the opportunity to participate with you in a true partnership in policing.

Accomplishments have been many and achieved with support from the NYPD executive level coupled with the diligence and efforts of the Auxiliary Police Section staff, Auxiliary Police Coordinators, and most importantly the day to day sacrifices and commitment of our volunteer Auxiliary Police. I am honored to have been a part of the advancements in the Auxiliary Police Program, including:

- The issuance of bullet resistant vests
- Recruitment and publicity campaigns to increase membership.
- Enhanced candidate screening and higher level entry standards
- Borough based entry level Basic Training Course
- Quarterly Citywide Graduations at Police Headquarters
- Utilization of Auxiliary Police in "Quality of Life" operations
- Training of Auxiliary Police and private citizens in Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program for disaster preparedness and liaison with NYC Office of Emergency Management (OEM).
- Introduction of new, specialized training courses in cultural diversity, counter terrorism, heart saver, traffic control and more

- Improvements and changes to the Auxiliary Police uniform
- Upgraded vehicle, bicycle, and radio allocation
- Implementation of Auxiliary Police Manhattan Traffic Task Force Unit (MTTF)
- Memorial Scholarship Awards to deserving Auxiliary Police members in the memory of APO Eugene Marshalik, 6th Precinct
- Newly published Auxiliary Police Guide
- Establishment of an awards and recognition program for exceptional volunteer services

As an advocate of volunteer policing and a life long New Yorker I will continue to promote and support the mission of the NYPD and the citywide Auxiliary Police Program. It has been a pleasure and I feel honored to have served as the Commanding Officer of the finest volunteer crime prevention program working alongside the dedicated men and women of the NYPD's Auxiliary Police Program. Your loyalty, dedication and commitment to our Department are most notably recognized and appreciated. I am confident that the great work you do for the City of New York, the NYPD and your communities will continue into the future. I wish the best to all...

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Deputy Inspector

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