



Our Future



In our efforts “. . . to be recognized as a premiere community-based criminal justice agency by providing excellent services that enhance the quality of life” members of the Sheriff’s Office embrace technology at every opportunity as a way to maximize efficiency.

The Sheriff’s Office and the community also benefit greatly from the number of **volunteers** serving with the agency in various capacities. These programs continue to expand year after year;

the **TRIAD** program, seniors and law enforcement working together

the **Victim Services Unit**, which provides assistance to victims and families of victims in emergency situations

the **S.C.R.A.B.** (Sheriff-Community Relations Advisory Board) has many different subcommittees working to benefit the community through improved relations with the criminal justice community

the **Animal Shelter** has a number of volunteers who photograph the animals at the shelter and post photos and information on Petfinder.com

the **Forgotten Man Ministries** who along with volunteers from area churches minister to the inmate’s spiritual needs

Youth in the community are supported by the Sheriff’s Department in a variety of ways;

the **T.E.A.M.** (Teaching, Educating and Mentoring) program is in place in many schools in Allegan County

the **C.L.U.E.** (Community Lock-Up Education) program was designed in-house as a way to demonstrate to our young people how easily one poor decision can cause a life to seemingly spin out of control

the **Cadet** program, where those enrolled in a criminal justice program of study can work part-time at the Sheriff’s Office, learning on-the-job

the **ALLCOPS scholarship** program, providing educational funds to criminal justice students

participation in the criminal **justice studies program at the Allegan Area Technical Education Center**

internships for college students