

CHIEF OF POLICE KENNETH ZIPOVSKY



Chief Ken Zipovsky is an accomplished and decorated member of the Law Enforcement community. Ken has been the Chief of the Rush Township Police Department since May of 2018. Ken has over 27 years of Police experience and has worked in virtually every facet of Law Enforcement to include Patrol, Supervision, K-9, Narcotics, Training, Criminal Investigations, and held Command and Executive positions. During his career, Ken's hard work and professionalism has successfully secured convictions in virtually every offense in the law enforcement continuum ranging from a parking violation to 1st Degree Homicide. Prior to his career with the Rush Township Police Department, Ken proudly served as the Chief of Police in the Mahanoy City Police Department, held the rank of First Lieutenant and was an Acting Chief of Police of the Hazleton Police Department, and was also a Patrolman in the Weatherly Police Department. He is a life-long resident of the Hazleton area.

Ken is active in the Law Enforcement community outside of RTPD. He is Past President of the Pennsylvania Juvenile Officers Association, The Fraternal Order of Police Power City Lodge #18, is on the Hazleton Area School District Law Enforcement Advisory Committee and was a member of Attorney General Mike Fisher's taskforce on school safety. Ken continues to increase knowledge and professionalism within the law enforcement community. Over the last decade he has taught undergraduate college courses in Criminal Justice, and instructs at Lackawanna College's Police Academy, where he is an Associate Director. At the Academy he imparts basic police knowledge and skills to cadets, and also provides advanced in-service training for the officers who are currently serving the communities of northeast Pennsylvania.

Ken Zipovsky has a Bachelor's Degree in Government, Law, and National Security from Misericordia University, a Degree in Criminal Justice from Luzerne County Community College, graduated from the prestigious Pennsylvania State Police Leadership Development Program, completed the FBI-LEEDA Executive Leadership Institute, attended Penn State University's Police Executive Development Training Program, and is a graduate of both the Philadelphia Police Department K-9 Academy and the Lackawanna College Police Academy. He has also been the recipient of multiple commendations from the Hazleton Police Department, the Pennsylvania State Police, the Philadelphia Police Department, and the Weatherly Police Department.

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