



# SHERIFF'S OFFICE

DALE K. SCHMIDT, SHERIFF

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## SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

### OUR MISSION:

We, the Washington County Sheriff's Department, exist to serve all people within our jurisdiction with respect, fairness and sensitivity. We are committed to the (1) prevention of crime and the protection of life and property; (2) the preservation of peace, order, and safety; the enforcement of laws and ordinances; and (3) the safeguarding of constitutional guarantees.

We are driven by the goals to enhance the quality of life, conduct thorough investigations, seek solutions and foster a sense of security in our community and its individuals. We shall nurture public trust by holding ourselves to the highest standards of performance and ethics.

### WHAT WE DO:

- Enforce federal, state and local laws and ordinances.
- Investigate crimes.
- Maintain order at civil proceedings.
- Provide security in the courthouse and court system.
- Transport prisoners to and from court.
- Assist the citizens of Washington County when requested for various non-criminal matters.
- Maintain a County Jail.
- Provide a Huber Facility and Electronic Monitoring Program.
- Operate a Juvenile Secure Detention Facility.
- Provide 911 Dispatch services to the citizens of Washington County including many of the municipalities for fire, rescue and police.
- Provide support to the citizens through the computerized record system.
- Research and plan for future improvements of the department procedures with the use of new technologies.
- Operate the Multi-Jurisdictional Drug Unit.
- Maintain Washington County SWAT Team.
- Maintain Washington County Dive Team.
- Provide D.A.R.E. and other educational and public relations programs.
- Provide contract police services to the Village of Richfield.
- Provide assistance to municipal police departments when requested.



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