



# IMPORTANCE OF COMMUNITY RELATIONS IN LAW ENFORCEMENT

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# IMPORTANCE OF POLICE AND COMMUNITY RELATIONS

- Promote Public Safety Together
  - To critically maintain public safety and effective policing, a strong relationship of mutual trust between police and communities is needed
  - To solve and prevent crimes, the help and cooperation of community members is relied on
- Enhance the Quality of Life in the Community
  - Working side by side to help each other in need
  - Providing a service to the community



# CORE ONE: COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP



- To have a healthy partnership, positive relationships is needed between the police and community
  - Maintaining and establishing a **MUTUAL TRUST** is the ultimate key and central goal
    - Trust is delicate and must be nurtured
      - Takes time to build and/or rebuild
      - It can deteriorate quickly
    - Trust is reciprocal
      - Trust goes both ways
      - It is hard to build trust when there is deceit
    - Trust is unable to be aggregated
      - Each and every person in the community matters

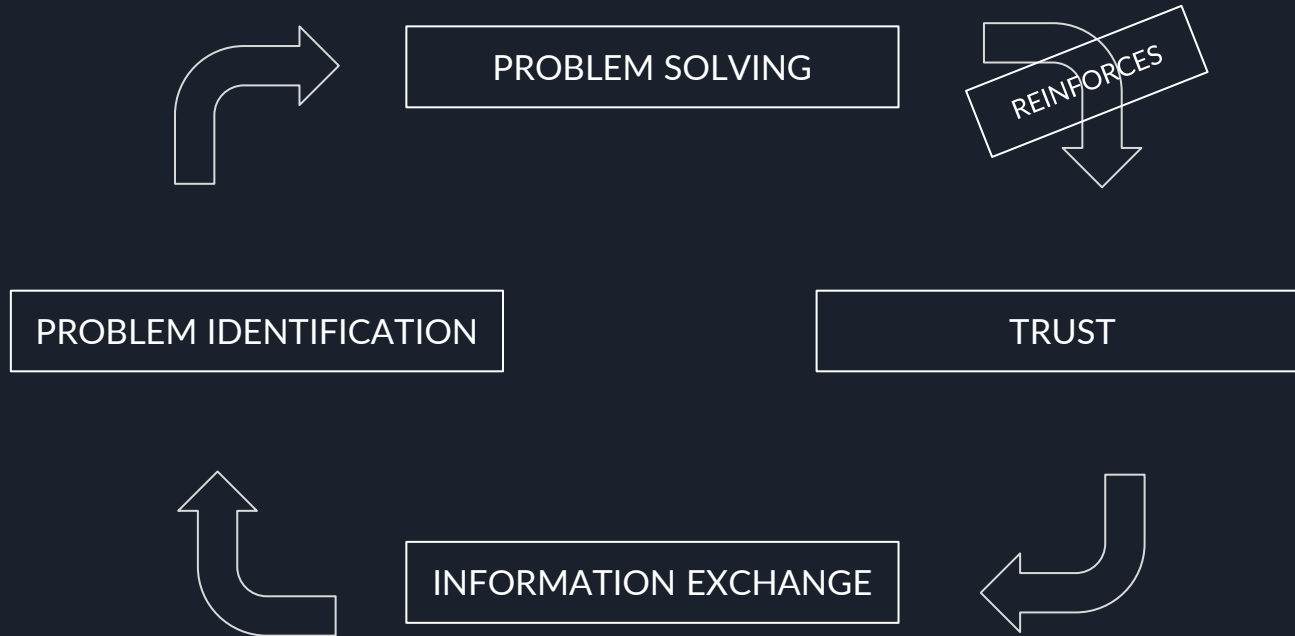
# CORE ONE: COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

- Community involvement is essential to stop and deter crime
  - The people in the community are helpful eyes and ears
- For most urgent concerns, a pool of resources will help address the problem
  - e.g., natural disaster, major crash, etc.



# CORE TWO: PROBLEM SOLVING

The process of problem solving identifies the specific concerns of the community, to which the appropriate remedy to solve the problem is determined



# CORE TWO: PROBLEM SOLVING

- Solving problems requires in depth knowledge of the community
  - Help of community contributes to problem solving
- Cooperative problem solving leads to:
  - Building and reinforcing trust
  - Opens the exchange of information
  - Mutual benefit for police and community





# COMMUNITY POLICING AS A WHOLE



Community policing is instrumental and a long-term process

Success of community policing requires community partnership and problem solving

The cooperation of the police and community helps the community grow and deter crime



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