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## Chief's Message

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Happy New Year to everyone. As we enter into 2026 you may have noticed some changes going on in the greater Sheriff's Office. Let me assure you that nothing is changing here at Shoreline. The Captains and I will be steadily working with you and your supervisors to make this the best precinct at KCSO.

Now that we are a little over a week into January, I would like for you to think about your goals for this year, where do you want to be at the end of the year, and how are you going to achieve that goal. Contrary to popular belief, here at Shoreline, we do have a budget for training and equipment. If you have a desire to attend some training this year that will help you to achieve a professional goal, please put in for it. The Captains and I have a bias for saying yes on career training and we will do everything we can to get you there if you put in the work.

If you have equipment needs, please bring them forward. We want to make sure you have everything you need to perform your job duties safely and effectively. Work with your supervisor to get your requests in. As the old saying goes, the answer to the question you never ask is always no.

Take care,

Chief Tommy Collins

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**Thank You for Years of Service and Dedication!**

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**HAPPY RETIREMENT!**

It is with mixed emotions that we announce the retirement of Detective Jeff Durrant. He has dedicated 26 years of service to the King County Sheriff's Office. Det. Durrant started his career in 1999 in the city of Kenmore. He served in different capacities including as an MPO, SRO, Range Safety Officer, Traffic Officer and finalizing his career as a Shoreline detective. Throughout his time, Det. Durrant handled countless challenges and cases with professionalism, earning the respect

and admiration of his coworkers and community members alike. We wish him all the best in this next chapter of his life. We will miss you Jeff!

His official last date is January 22, 2026. Please stop by to say goodbye and congratulate him!

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### **Building Community Connections to Prevent Fraud and Scams**

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Last week, CSO Dahlia Corona delivered a brief introductory presentation about the Shoreline Police Department at Shoreline Community College's international student orientation session.

International students can be particularly vulnerable to fraud and scams due to language and cultural barriers, visa status concerns, and unfamiliarity with the U.S. legal system. CSO Corona provided an overview of essential police services and resources, including how to call 911 and non-emergency, online reporting options, use of the language line, and community outreach and engagement efforts.

This presentation served as an introduction to the fraud and scam awareness presentations that CSO Corona and Detective Velie will be conducting quarterly throughout the year.

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### **Police Explorer Basic Academy Graduation**

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The Washington Law Enforcement Explorers Academy (WLEEA) conducts a week-long Explorer Academy twice a year, providing a full-time training environment that closely mirrors a law enforcement academy. Advisors and instructors from across Washington State deliver instruction in areas such as policing history, officer presence, physical fitness, radio procedures, traffic control, use of force, and more. Explorers gain firsthand exposure to police work through a combination of classroom instruction and practical skills application, creating a challenging and engaging training experience.



"I would like to congratulate four of our Explorers, Liam MacDonald, Alan Carlson, Payton Hupf and Stephen Weaver on their graduation from the Washington State Law Enforcement Explorer Basic Academy. These four, along with approximately 120 other explorers from 12 agencies, traveled to Yakima last month for a week of learning the basics of law enforcement and intense physical fitness training. Our Explorers represented the Department and King County Sheriff's Office well. They continue to progress through the Explorer program and will be joining us for ride-alongs in Shoreline soon!"

- Deputy Sarah Lacy

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