Cleveland Community Police Commission



About the CPC

The Cleveland Community Police Commission (CPC) was established in 2015 as part of the terms of the Consent Decree between the City of Cleveland and the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ). Following an investigation, the DOJ determined there was a pattern of excessive force used by the Cleveland Division of Police (CDP). The Consent Decree outlined the work that needed to be done so CDP policies, practices and procedures comply with Constitutional law.

Our Purpose

The purpose of the Community Police Commission (CPC) is to bring community input in the process of police reform. We work with the community to ensure that a variety of community perspectives about policing are heard and reflected in the CPC's reports and policy recommendations. Ongoing community input is crucial to ensure policing in Cleveland is constitutional, effective, and consistent with community values.

Our Work

The CPC has issued numerous recommendations, reports, and statements on Cleveland's police policies since the Commission was formed by the Consent Decree in 2015. Among the issues the CPC was tasked to provide input on are: Accountability, Bias-Free Policing, Community and Problem Oriented Policing (CPOP), Search & Seizure, and Use of Force. Details of our work can be found on our website: **clecpc.org/our-work**.

What We Do

- Make recommendations to the Chief of Police and the City, including the Mayor and the City Council, on policies and practices related to community and problemoriented policing (CPOP), bias-free policing, and police transparency.
- Work with the many communities that make up Cleveland for the purpose of developing recommendations for police practices that reflect an understanding of the values and priorities of Cleveland residents.
- Report to the City and community as a whole and to provide transparency on police department reforms.

Commissioners

The Commission consists of 10 civilians who go through a selection process and are appointed for a four year term. Three officer organizations: the Black Shield, Fraternal Order of Police (FOP), Cleveland Police Patrolmen's Association (CPPA) are also represented on the board. Current Commissioner names and bios are available on the CPC's website: **clecpc.org/about-us**.

Get Involved with the CPC & Reform Process

Achieving long-term, citizen driven reform of policing in Cleveland depends on the support of the entire Cleveland community.

- Attend CPC & Community Events
- Talk to your City Councilperson
- Join a CPC Work Group
- Elect candidates that speak up on issues of accountability & reform
- Attend DPC Meetings

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Ways to Get Involved

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Attend CPC & Community Events

Attend Community Police Commission meetings and take part in events hosted by local community organizations to share your thoughts about policing and related issues in your community. A calendar of Commission and community events can be found on our website: **clecpc.org/calendar**



Take an active role in the reform process by joining a work group. Discuss issues & develop policy recommendations on topics related to CPOP, bias-free policing, accountability, and transparency. View all active work groups: **clecpc.org/get-involved/work-groups**

Attend District Policing Committee (DPC) Meetings

Attend district policing committee meetings to get to know your district's officers and to talk about local crime and safety issues. Visit your police district's social media pages for details on meeting dates and locations. Info about police districts & DPC meetings are also on the CPC's website: **clecpc.org/get-involved/dpc-meetings**





Talk to your City Councilperson

Call or write to your councilperson about the need to create a plan for long-term community involvement in police policy. Find your Councilperson on City Council's website: **clevelandcitycouncil.org**



Vote!

Visit the Cuyahoga County Board of Elections website to register to vote, check for upcoming election dates, or find your voting location: **boe.cuyahogacounty.gov**



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