



*Safety and
Security
Operations
Update*

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- Barbara Lark- November 14, 2022
- Retired 1st Deputy Police Commissioner, Buffalo Police Department
- 28 years of experience in Public Safety for the City of Buffalo, held several supervisory positions within the department
- Investigative work experience
- NYS certified DARE Instructor- taught drug resistance and gang violence education
- Developed community policing initiatives
- Buffalo Police School Resource Officer
- New York Women in Law Enforcement, Board Member
- Many other professional development certificates

Security Officer Staffing



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- 82 Security Officers on Payroll
- 2 Security Supervisors on Payroll
- 67 Active Officers
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- 9 Officers on Worker's Comp – 1 returning to work 11/8/22
- 3 Officers on Administrative Leave
- 1 Officers on Extended Medical Leave
- 2 Officers out on Short Term Medical Leave
- We have one new officer starting tomorrow – 11/1/22
- We have 9 successful interview candidates that have been sent on to Civil Service for processing.
- We continue to hold interviews every other week to find more qualified candidates.

Beginning of School Year

Deployment

- 100% Screening with Handheld Metal Detectors.
- Increased Deployment to High Schools.
- 4 Elementary Deployed Security Officers, 2 mobile units, and 2 supervisors.
- Increased School Resource Officers by the Buffalo Police.

Transit

- Safe Passage at ten critical spots.
- Collaboration with School Resource Officers, Buffalo Security and NFTA Police
- Peace Makers riding bus and rails.

Procedures

- Update “Critical Responses to Emergency Situations Handbook” for building administrators and security staff.
- Training of all administrators at the summer session and at Principal and Assistant Principal meetings.

Currently in Process for Roll Out

- New Key Card Access Pads and Cards in all schools.
- Alarm Button and new Intrusion Detections Systems.
- 150 additional and updated Garrett Handheld Metal Detectors.
- 650 Kenwood Two-Way Radios, 150 Two-Way Radios with display, 65 Digital Repeaters.
- 65 Walk Through Concealed Weapons Detection Systems using Motorola and Evolv Technology.



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