

WINTER HAVEN POLICE DEPARTMENT

GENERAL ORDER 46.6

Dignitary Protection

ACCREDITATION STANDARDS: CALEA – 46.2.6; CFA –17.03

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RESCINDS: G.O. 46.6, July 23, 2013 and all applicable Amended/Temporary Orders prior to January 5, 2018

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POLICY

It shall be the policy of the Winter Haven Police Department to coordinate and assist with security of visiting dignitaries when requested by outside agencies. (CFA 17.03)

PURPOSE

The purpose of this General Order is to establish procedures for coordinating and assisting with security for visiting dignitaries (VIP).

SCOPE

This General Order shall apply to all members.

DISCUSSION

The primary goals to be considered for the security and protection of a VIP are to ensure personal protection, dealing with threats against, prevention of threats and/or violence, an actual attack upon the VIP and safeguarding them from physical harm.

PROCEDURE

- I. **Coordination and Planning for Dignitary Protection**
 - A. The Winter Haven Police Department shall cooperate and coordinate operations with other law enforcement agencies involved in dignitary protection. The agency shall

further afford increased security to those persons in need of special protective security. (CALEA 46.2.6)

- B.** The Tactical Operations Commander shall be responsible for the supervision and coordination of the dignitary protection. This includes, but is not limited to:
 - 1. Coordinating with representatives of those requiring the protective services;
 - a. Assessment of equipment needs; and
 - b. Planning and reconnaissance of travel routes and alternatives.
 - 2. Arranging for the appropriate weapons, equipment, vehicles, and members;
 - 3. Planning, inspection, and evaluation of sites and facilities to be used;
 - 4. Coordinating with the Intelligence Unit and other agency intelligence sources;
 - 5. Coordinating of support activities by agency members and other agencies. This includes, but is not limited to:
 - a. Fire, rescue, ambulance and medical facilities;
 - b. Telecommunications; and
 - c. Additional members' requirements.
 - 6. Ensuring that all assigned members are identifiable by security pin or badge.
- C.** The Tactical Operations Commander shall assign a member to act as a liaison with the agency conducting the dignitary protection.
- D.** If a VIP does not have their own protection detail and requests dignitary protection from the Department, the Tactical Operations Commander shall coordinate with the Polk County Sheriff's Office for a protection detail team.
 - 1. The Department shall provide additional support or resources, as allowed, to the Polk County Sheriff's Office.

II. Definitions-none

APPROVED 

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