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URBANA POLICE FEATURED IN IACP PUBLICATION

The Urbana Police Department was recently featured in the International Association of Chiefs of Police magazine, *Police Chief*.

The article, entitled, "Spotlight: A Peace and Safety Patrol," examines the UPD's Clergy Patrol, which is in its initial stages for the department. When Chief Larry D. Boone accepted the role as Chief of Police for the City of Urbana, he knew the program that he had instituted in Norfolk VA, could be successful in Urbana, as well.

"Our clergy patrol initiative aims to reduce violence, particularly gun-related incidents, by tackling underlying causes and strengthening community resilience," Chief Boone said.

Go here to view the article in full.

Additionally, the Clergy Patrol has its inaugural run at 7 p.m., this Saturday evening, October 5, 2024, at Urbana City Hall, located at 400 South Vine Street. Pastor David Ashby will be riding along with Behavior Health Detective Antwan Funches in a patrol around the city. The media is invited and encouraged to attend the send-off at 7 p.m.

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