



Title III
Public Safety

Message from the Director Phillip Black

OUR MISSION

The Mission of the Central State University Police Department is to contribute towards the quality of university life by maintaining peace and harmony, protecting life and property, while enforcing federal, state, and local laws and University policy, rules, and regulations. The CSUPD strives to maintain an atmosphere of professionalism, courtesy, and respect while embracing diversity through community engagement and quality customer service. Our Community Policing Initiative, driven by a Customer Service Agenda, will foster a safe and positive educational environment.

Section I

This past summer, the CSUPD launched our police and campus engagement initiative. Our goal is to build trust and collaboration between campus police and the campus community through mentorship, education, and engagement. We interacted with current students and incoming freshmen from various organizations, encouraging meaningful and positive dialogue. This initiative promoted open communication, cultural awareness, and shared responsibility for campus safety by connecting students, faculty, and law enforcement through structured mentorships, leadership workshops, and community service projects. Engaging in open dialogue with the campus community fostered mutual respect and understanding. We broke down barriers often found in communities with a history of distrust, low engagement, and poor customer service from law enforcement. Promoting open dialogue while fostering mutual respect aims to enhance the campus climate, improve perceptions of safety, and establish lasting partnerships that support student success and institutional inclusivity, aligning with our safety and educational goals. With the introduction of the CSUPD "Community Policing Initiative with a Customer Service Agenda," our mentorship program will strengthen student leadership and contribute to a safer campus environment, supporting improved academic achievement. The CSUPD looks forward to continuing its efforts with the CSU campus community.

Section II

Goals of the initiative include:

- Building meaningful connections between campus police officers, students, faculty, and staff.
- Enhancing cultural competency and conflict resolution skills.
- Increasing student confidence in campus safety and support systems.
- Promoting inclusive community engagement and shared leadership.
- Providing respectful and positive customer service.



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