

Village of Sherburne Police Department Survey in accordance with the Governor's Executive Order 203.

Thank you for taking part in the following survey regarding the operations and services provided by the Village of Sherburne Police Department. Your time is important as you are taking time to imagine the future policing in the Village of Sherburne. We strongly value the opinion and input of all village residents and business owners. We will use the data from this survey to assist with reviewing our current policies, procedures, practices, and operations to better serve you. This survey is being offered to village residents in response to the Governor's Executive Order 203 and is part of our plan to comply with the mandate.

The Village Police Department is a part-time department which employs 7 part-time Law Enforcement Personnel (Police Officer's). We serve a population of approximately 1300 residents within 1.52 square miles of jurisdiction. In 2019 the Village Police Department responded to approximately 387 calls for service and in 2020 approximately 434 calls for service.

We urge you to click on the link for more information about our plan going forward to comply with the order. **Please note that this survey is regarding the Village of Sherburne Police Department ONLY and NOT the State Police, Chenango County Sheriff's Office, Norwich City Police Department, or other Law Enforcement Agency.**

Deployment

Village of Sherburne encompasses 1.52 square miles. There is usually 1 officer on patrol each day, but that officer at times may be called outside the village to assist Police, Fire, and EMS. Officers work a variety of shifts consisting of days, afternoons, and evenings. Based on this information would you say resources are properly deployed?

- Strongly Agree
- Agree
- Neutral
- Disagree
- Strongly Disagree
- I'm not sure

Services

Please rate the 6 services that you think are the most important for the Police Department to provide and rate them with 1 being the most important and 6 being the least:

- Property Checks
- Responding to 911 Calls
- Criminal Investigations
- Referrals to Social Services
- Routine Patrol
- Community Policing

Communication

The Sherburne Police Department has the following means to communicate with the public we serv:

Officer Phone – 607-674-2203

Cell Phone – 607-316-2454

Email – sherburnepd@sherburne.org

Email – sherburnepolicetips@gmail.com

Is there a better way for us to communicate?

Training

Officers attend annual training held at the Chenango County Sheriff's Office and subsequent training in New York State when available. Additional training is conducted throughout the year with Police One Academy. Almost all the officers are employed fulltime with another police agency and receive training within their departments. Based on this information would you say officers are well trained?

- Strongly Agree
- Agree
- Neutral
- Disagree
- Strongly Disagree
- I'm not sure

Necessity

Police Officers are a necessary part of our community.

- Strongly Agree
- Agree
- Neutral
- Disagree
- Strongly Disagree
- I'm not sure

Responsiveness

Police Officers in the Village of Sherburne are responsive to the public needs.

- Strongly Agree
- Agree
- Neutral
- Disagree
- Strongly Disagree
- I'm not sure

Community Policing

Does the Village of Sherburne Police Department effectively use a community policing strategy?

- Strongly Agree
- Agree
- Neutral
- Disagree
- Strongly Disagree
- I'm not sure

Community Impact

Police Officers in the Village of Sherburne strive to have a positive impact on our community they serve.

- Strongly Agree
- Agree
- Neutral
- Disagree
- Strongly Disagree
- I'm not sure

Officer Complaints

If you have a complaint against a Sherburne Police Officer are you confident it will be reviewed objectively?

- Strongly Agree
- Agree
- Neutral
- Disagree
- Strongly Disagree
- I'm not sure

Accountability

Police Officers in the Village of Sherburne are held accountable for their actions through an active internal affairs oversight.

- Strongly Agree
- Agree
- Neutral
- Disagree
- Strongly Disagree
- I'm not sure

Body Cameras

All uniformed officers are supplied body cameras and are required to record during all complaints with the public. Body cameras are an important tool for officers to utilize on patrol and provides for better transparency and accountability.

- Strongly Agree
- Agree
- Neutral
- Disagree
- Strongly Disagree
- I'm not sure

Bias

Police Officers in the Village of Sherburne are fair and unbiased in their interactions with all people.

- Strongly Agree
- Agree
- Neutral
- Disagree
- Strongly Disagree
- I'm not sure

Have you or someone you know experienced a bias related interaction with a Village of Sherburne Police Officer? Please explain;

Interaction

When was the last time you had a direct interaction with the Village of Sherburne Police Department?

- More than 5 years ago
- Less than 5 years ago
- Never

Interaction was related to:

Public Satisfaction

On a scale of 1 (one) to 1 (10), how satisfied are you with the Village of Sherburne Police Department?
(Please circle 1= not at all satisfied 10 = (extremely satisfied)

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

What are the top three things that you feel would improve policing in the Village of Sherburne?

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES

- **NYS Opioid Overdose Prevention:** Officers who are trained are provided life-saving Narcan kits to carry while on patrol and assist with administering if needed. Patrols are sometimes first on the scene before EMS and can assist in saving lives.
- **Body Cameras:** Officers are equipped with cameras while on patrol.
- **TASER Devices:** Officers are equipped with a less than lethal device "Taser" while on patrol. This provides another option when dealing with violent, or potentially violent individuals, before having to resort to their use of lethal force.
- **Prescription Drug "Take Back" Program:** The Sherburne Police are partnered with the Chenango County Sheriff's Office in the National "Take Back" Initiative. The purpose is to help prevent prescription drug diversion, a leading source of illicit prescription drug sales in the US. The initiative also helps prevent unused drugs from entering the ground water and municipal water supplies.
- **Village Property Checks:** Officers conduct after hours property checks of businesses and public buildings in efforts to deter illegal activity and/or aid efforts to investigate and prosecute those responsible for such illegal activity.
- **Annual Pageant of Bands, Holiday Parades, and Community Gatherings:** The Village of Sherburne is very active when it comes to traditions. Members of the community come together and celebrate events throughout the year. Officers assist in crowd and traffic control.

You can locate a copy of the survey on the following website: www.sherburne.org, opening page under "SPOTLIGHT".

Please return this survey to the Sherburne Police Department no later than February 7th, 2021. You can return a paper copy to 15 West State Street Sherburne, NY 13460. You can email a copy to Sherburnepd@sherburne.org or sherburnepd@gmail.com.

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