

## **Purpose and Mission:**

The Redlands Police Department Chaplaincy Program has been established to enhance the Police Department's ability to provide service to the Community. The program is a crisis ministry designed to offer a professional religious/social ministry to the people of Redlands and stands ready to help meet the special needs which might arise in the lives of the people of Redlands and the members of the Redlands Police Department.

## **Chaplain Personnel:**

All Chaplains in the Redlands Police Department are credentialed (licensed or ordained) within their respective denomination or ecclesiastic organization and are active in a pastoral ministry within a local church or a related agency sanctioned by their respective denomination.

## **Contacting a Chaplain:**

Chaplains may be contacted by calling the business number for the Redlands Police Department, 798-7681. A confidential voice mail service is also available by contacting the same number and requesting voice mail extension 7877.

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## **Chaplains Unit**

***"Serving the citizens of  
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members of the  
Redlands Police  
Department"***

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**The Chaplains Unit exists to serve the citizens of Redlands and the members of the Redlands Police Department.**

**Objectives:**

- Seek to bring comfort, consolation, and assistance to persons involved in crisis, accidents, and natural catastrophes; assist Police officers in notifying family members when relatives are involved in life threatening situations where injury or accidental death has occurred.
- Give counsel and spiritual advice, when desired, to persons involved in such experiences as: family tensions, attempted suicide, desertion, runaways, lost persons, alcohol and drug related incidents, juvenile conflicts, and the

loneliness and confusion of the elderly.

- Attempt to exert an influence of calm and stability in the midst of situations charged with unusual stress and potential explosiveness.
- Provide qualified instructors, when requested, to train or inform police officers in such areas as ethics, human relations, family life, and spiritual priorities.
- Provide counseling, consultation, and support to the citizens of Redlands in times of crises.
- Be available for consultation when called upon by law enforcement departments and officers in situations where it is warranted. The Chaplain may suggest a referral to specialized agencies or individuals.

**Confidentiality:**

Chaplains may be called as witnesses to criminal acts of which they have observed. However, statements made to Chaplains

where confidentiality is asked are privileged communications, and the Chaplain cannot divulge these. When confidentiality is not requested, privilege will be dictated by the Chaplain's own conscience and the ecclesiastic laws of the Chaplain's own religious organization.

**Availability:**

Chaplains are available 24 hours a day seven days a week to assist the community and the members of the Redlands Police Department. Chaplains are also available for counseling and consultation by appointment.

**Religious**

**Affiliation:**

The Chaplaincy Program strives to be ecumenical by appointing applicants from diverse religious backgrounds representing the varied religious population of Redlands.