



# Town of Queen Creek Police Services Study

December 4, 2019

# INTRODUCTION

- Follow-up from March 2, 2019 Town Council Annual Strategic Planning Session.
- 2018 and 2019 Council discussed police services at their annual Strategic Planning Session.
- Growth: The primary driving factor affecting police services; *importantly this is not intended to be a reflection of the service provided by District 6 staff.*
  - 6-10% population growth rate annually over last several years, anticipated to continue over next five years.
  - Current population estimated at 52,000, with the build out population estimated to be 175,000.
  - Over the last five years, there has been a 62% increase in acreage zoned for commercial uses.
  - Overall Town and area urbanization (increased population, higher density, more non-residential, and increased traffic), affecting the need for more control over day to day police program.



# Report Overview

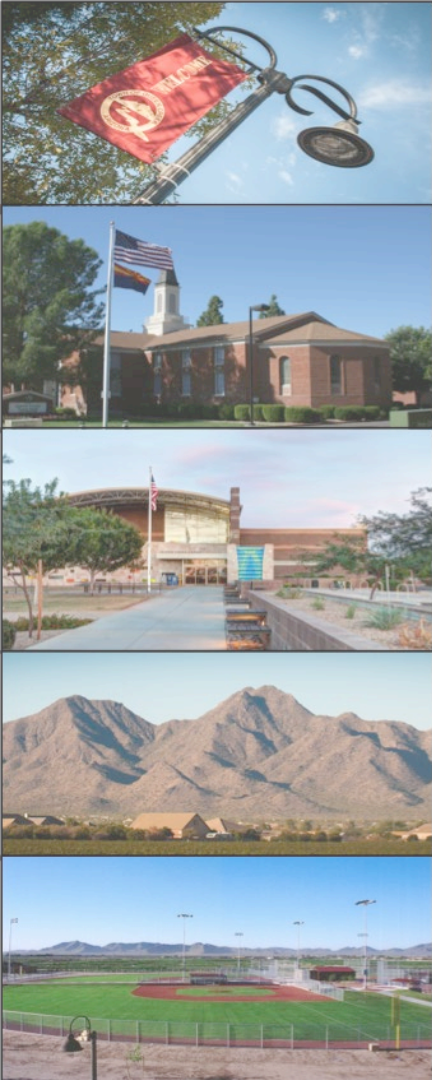
- Determine the required law enforcement resources that will be needed as the community continues to grow and evolve.
- Conduct a comparative analysis of other police departments
- Evaluate the delivery of services and how to maintain appropriate levels of service with Maricopa County Sheriff's Office, a municipal police department, or other option(s).



# HISTORY OF LAW ENFORCEMENT IN QUEEN CREEK

- FY90 - MCSO contract established with 25% of one beat.
- FY20 - MCSO contract is for six beats (49 sworn officers).
- With the growth and changing needs of the community, the Town regularly evaluates all programs and services to ensure they meet current needs, and law enforcement is just one of those services.
  - Buracker Study, 2004
  - Center for Public Safety Management (CPSM) Study, 2016
  - Five-Year Strategic Plan for Law Enforcement, 2016





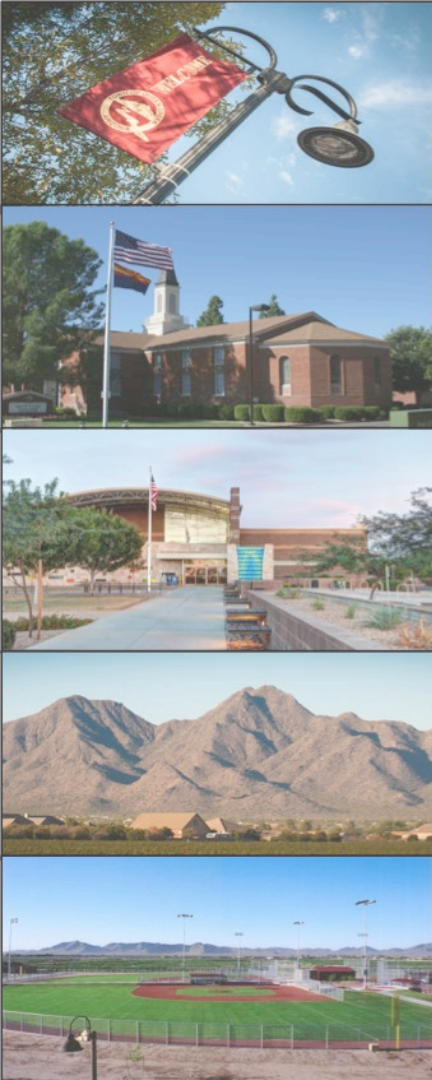
# Expectations and Desired Outcomes for Town Law Enforcement Services

- Community Oriented Policing
  - Partnerships
  - Problem Solving
  - Accountability
  - Reactive vs. Proactive
  - Quality of life
  - Preservation of peace and safety in the community
  - Investment in the future.



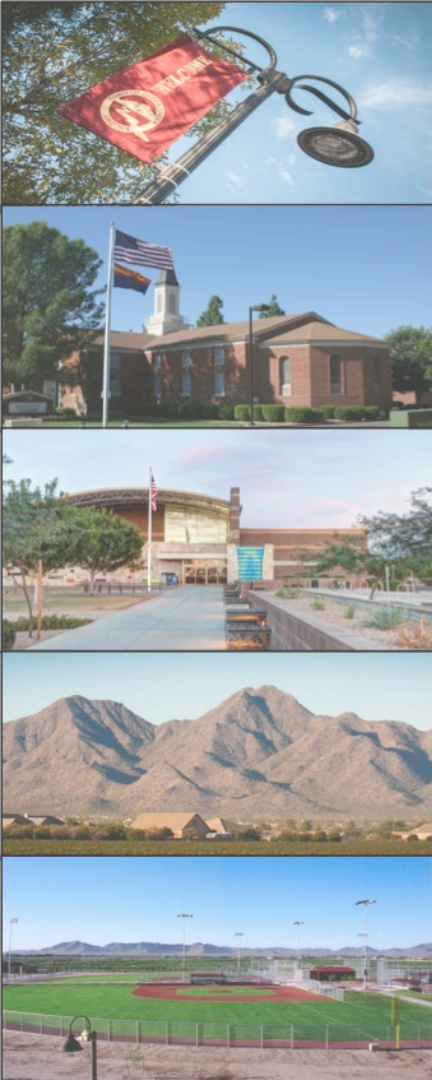
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- Intelligence Led Policing
  - Crime rate data specific to the Town
  - Data driven directed patrol hours
  - Accurate and relevant reporting



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- Communication
  - Communication with Town staff and elected officials
  - Social media presence
  - Timely press releases and media responses
  - Town's narrative



# Law Enforcement Options

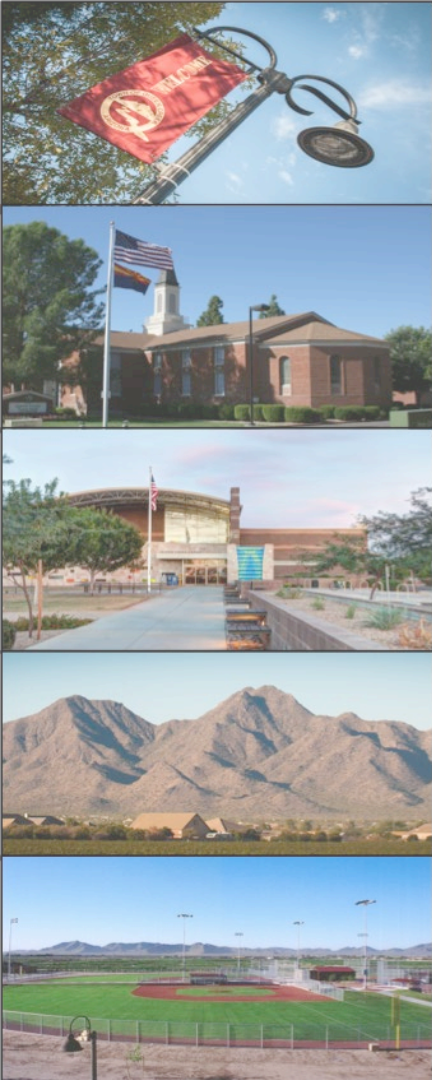
- Contract with another municipality
- Continued contract with MCSO
  - Contract Issues
    - Staffing
    - Inability to sustain strategic Initiatives
    - Delivering directed patrol hours
    - Communication
    - Crime rate data and management
    - Federal monitor status and implications





# Law Enforcement Options

- Queen Creek Municipal Police Department
  - Start-up costs
  - Impact on other Town departments
  - Timing



# FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

## 5-Year Financial Plan for Queen Creek Police Department

	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25
<b>Personnel</b>	\$869,007	\$9,475,323	\$10,243,182	\$11,063,471	\$11,939,552
<b>Operations</b>	\$274,573	\$1,754,649	\$1,796,740	\$1,891,942	\$1,996,226
<b>Capital Equipment</b>	\$5,880,096	\$615,000	\$615,000	\$721,000	\$757,050
<b>Total</b>	\$7,023,676	\$11,844,972	\$12,654,922	\$13,676,413	\$14,692,828
<b>FTEs</b>	4	59	61	63	65

- This 5 year plan does not require new taxes or revenue sources, it can be maintained within the Town's current revenue projection.
- The study reports \$825,000 in estimated total impacts to other Town departments, however \$100,000 is one time costs and \$350,000 is for positions already included in Town's 5 year financial plan.
- The 5 year MCSO contract projections do not account for increases in wages or administrative fees, or the current financial impacts to other departments.



Thank You

Questions?

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