

# CITY OF TOLEDO



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### **Second “Community Relations Survey” Released by Toledo Police**

Toledo, OH (July 30, 2020): The Toledo Police Department has rolled out the second Community Relations Survey. The purpose of the survey is to gauge the relationship between Toledo Police and the citizens of Toledo and to provide critical data that will help determine how to better protect and serve the community.

The survey asks participants basic questions about themselves, questions about the Toledo Police Department, and about the City of Toledo. The information is kept confidential and citizens are encouraged to fill it out, but are not required to.

The same survey was released in December 2016, with 802 validated responses received. The survey ran through May 2017 with results being shared in September of 2017. The Community Relations Survey was developed by Dr. Kasey Tucker-Gail, Dr. David Lilley, and Dr. Megan Stewart of the University of Toledo. Other partners in the development of the survey include members of the Chief’s Advisory Board and Ms. Holly Matthews, Executive Director of the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council. This project was funded by the Office of Criminal Justice Services through the Ohio Community-Police Relations Program.

The mission of the Toledo Police Department is to enhance the quality of life in the City of Toledo by working in partnerships with the community to preserve life, enforce the law, provide quality services, reduce the fear of crime and to promote joint problem solving for safe, secure neighborhoods. “The information gathered from the survey will be utilized to support the mission of Toledo Police and show areas of weaknesses and strengths,” said Chief George Kral. “The 2016 survey was a critical starting point and I am excited to see what improvements have been made based on data from the first survey and where we can improve now, four years later,” said Chief Kral.

The 2016 survey will be used as a benchmark and after the 2020 data is calculated, Chief Kral plans to utilize that data as a tool to make decisions on how to better serve the city.

To take the Community Relations Survey, visit [ToledoPolice.com](http://ToledoPolice.com) and click on the blue “Community Relations Survey” button.

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