



CHARLES “ALAN” ROWE

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Critical to contemporary police leadership is a spirit of enthusiasm, creativity, positivity, and innovation, as well as the ability to identify best practices and their applications to benefit the communities police serve. **CHIEF CHARLES “ALAN” ROWE** reflects and embraces each of these qualities and characteristics. He has demonstrated consistent leadership in every position he has held. His recognized leadership and commitment also extend to his military service where he effectively functioned as a command investigator for the U.S. Navy, receiving awards for exemplary leadership in addition to being selected as Carrier Air Wing 7 Sailor

of the Year.

In his previous role as the department’s training officer, he implemented a redesign of the agency’s training program that also benefited 17 small agencies nearby, delivering no-cost training to 160 personnel from other departments.

Chief Rowe recognized the important tenets of 21st century policing well before they were incorporated in a national document. He increased minority hiring and fostered successful implementation of a community-policing philosophy, leading to increased crime prevention and community outreach. Chief Rowe has also served as a mentor to hundreds of military and law enforcement personnel and led his agency through the challenging process of state certification.

Chief Rowe currently serves as 1st vice president for the Georgia Association of Chiefs of Police; he will become president in 2022 and represent more than 700 executive police leaders in Georgia in a variety of forums.

“Throughout my law enforcement career, I’ve been driven in choices by the idea of “what’s next?” I begin each day with the drive to make forward progress.”