

Hello to the Brentwood community,

I want to personally thank everyone for all the well wishes and support as a new chapter begins for the Brentwood Police Department. I am extremely honored and humbled to be selected to serve as your Chief of Police for this amazing community and the dedicated officers and administrative staff of this department. I'm so fortunate to work with such a caring and enthusiastic team of exceptional young men and women, sworn and non-sworn who have made a commitment to serve the outstanding Brentwood community.

My career consists of 28 years in law enforcement, 24 of those years being with the New Hampshire State Police with the remaining years with the Fremont Police Department, New Hampshire Marine Patrol, and the United States Marshals Service. In 2011, I retired from the New Hampshire State Police at the rank of Lieutenant. During my state police tenure, I worked uniform patrol on the seacoast for 8 years and was promoted to the rank of Corporal to command the State Police Communications Center. I was fortunate enough to acquire my dream job and transfer into the prestigious State Police Narcotics and Investigations Unit where I served for 15 years conducting narcotics investigations. Our unit worked with numerous federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies on a multitude of criminal investigations. I received a promotion to the rank of Lieutenant and served as the drug unit commander prior to being transferred back into uniform and becoming the Special Service Unit Commander which oversaw the following specialized units; K-9, Aviation, Motorcycle, Crash Accident Reconstruction, Drug Recognition Expert, Drill Team, D.A.R.E., and Highway Safety.

Prior to my selection to be the Brentwood Police Chief, I was teaching a criminal justice program to junior and senior high school students at the Concord Regional Technical Center. This two-year program consisted of college level courses in criminal law and criminal justice and was administered to a select group of students who expressed an interest in the criminal justice profession. Although I enjoyed teaching my students about a profession I truly love, I was missing the law enforcement contribution I made for so many years to the people of New Hampshire.

I also want to take this opportunity to thank Chief Wayne Robinson for his dedicated service and tenure to the Brentwood Police Department and the Brentwood Community. Chief Robinson was thrown into a tragic situation and had the tremendous responsibility in leading his department and community through its darkest times with the tragic loss of Officer Stephen Arkell on May 12, 2014. And he did so with grace and dignity. Furthermore, I want to thank the Brentwood Police Officers who continued to serve and protect their community while grieving the loss of one of their own. No one can truly understand the magnitude of this feat unless they have lived through such a tragedy. And lastly, I want to thank the Brentwood community for their unwavering support to the police department. As we move forward, the Brentwood Police Department will remain committed to remembering and honoring Officer Stephen Arkell and the ultimate sacrifice he made to keep his beloved Brentwood community safe.

In closing, the Brentwood Police Department's top priority is to protect and serve its community at the highest levels of professionalism, integrity, and compassion. Thank you for giving me this opportunity to enter back into a profession I truly believe I was destined to do, to protect and serve.

Sincerely,

Ellen M. Arcieri
Chief of Police

Our Mission Statement: The Brentwood Police Department is dedicated to improving the quality of life by creating a safe environment in partnership with the people we serve. We act with integrity to prevent crime and keep our citizens safe while treating all with respect, compassion, and fairness. We strive to achieve this while maintaining the same close knit, small town feel that the citizens have come to know and expect. (Created by Captain David Roy, Brentwood Police Department)