

JOEL E. GORDON *for Preston County Sheriff*

- Baltimore City PD (1980) Field Training Officer*
- Crofton Maryland PD D.A.R.E. Instructor*
** Brought Program and Funding*
- Alpine Lake Resort General Manager*
** Reorganized Management*
** Reconciled Budget*
** Drafted & Implemented 10-Year Plan*
- Kingwood Chief of Police*
** Vice-Chair Regional Drug Task Force*
** Wrote New Police Manual w/FSU*
- Professional Security Consultant*
- Author - Memoir Still Seeking Justice*
- Writer/Assoc. Editor for the Independent Voice of Law Enforcement - thebluemagazine.com*



EXPERIENCE WITH A COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE: A little more about my background...

Those who know me best are aware that I am a resourceful CAN-DO and solutions oriented person with a track record of success!

This has been forty years in the making...

- My law enforcement career began in 1980 on the mean streets of West Baltimore (more recently of Freddie Gray fame). There is no better training ground for a rookie police officer than service to citizens residing in a high crime area. I learned from some of the best and later paid my knowledge and experience forward as a Baltimore City Police Department Field Training Officer.

- As a Crofton Maryland police officer I was afforded the opportunity to help bring the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) program to the community as a certified Instructor and ensured support and funding with the blessing of community leaders.

- My appointment as Alpine Lake Resort General Manager in 1992 was another step up in my career development. While there I reorganized the staff of (up to 83) creating a true management team while encouraging others in their own career development for promotion from within. Reconciling the 1.6 million dollar budget resulted in cost savings and we were able to find financial solutions to improve seasonal cash flow and address necessary infrastructure improvements without proposing any increase in fees. I was involved in the drafting and implementation of a 10-year business plan under the guidance and with the assistance of the board of directors. I also was tasked with drafting and implementing a bloodborne pathogen exposure control plan to protect our employees, residents and guests against disease transmission.

- In 1994, I was appointed chief of police for the city of Kingwood. Our agency grew to seven officers under my leadership and I assigned an officer to the Tygart Valley Regional Drug and Violent Crime Task Force. I was selected to become the board of director's vice-chairperson of the task force which covered Preston, Taylor, Barbour, Randolph and Taylor counties. I also wrote and implemented a new police policy and procedures manual for the Kingwood City Police Department with involvement from the Criminal Justice program at Fairmont State University and their volunteer Intern program.

- Since that time, I have served as a regional Security Consultant helping both residential and commercial clients with crime prevention efforts. I am author of the published memoir Still Seeking Justice: One Officer's Story and am the Associate Editor of the national "Independent Voice of Law Enforcement" – The Blue Magazine. My magazine association has provided me with many contacts including my friend "America's Toughest Sheriff" Joe Arpaio (who has endorsed my campaign), Former NYPD Commissioner Bernard Kerik, "America's Sheriff" David Clarke, and Former ICE Director/Fox News Contributor and advisor to President Trump - Tom Homan. With my numerous federal, state and local law enforcement connections we will be able to hit the ground running with proven successful programs and techniques.

"It's wise to direct your anger towards problems - not people; to focus your energies on answers - not excuses."

William Authur Ward



- It's ***YOUR*** Community
- It's ***YOUR*** Law Enforcement
- It's ***YOUR*** Candidate with a Plan

My Plan for Change:

- Community Deputy Assignments
- Outreach along with Enforcement
- Data Driven Deployment of Deputies
- Establish a Reserve Deputy Program
- Citizen Action Recommendation Teams

"A FRESH SET OF EYES..."



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MORE ON MY POSITIVE PLANS FOR CHANGE...

- Community Deputy Assignments will ensure that you have a Deputy who will not only become an integral part of your area but will have their “finger on the pulse of your part of the county.” Your assigned Community Deputy will be responsible for follow-up of all reported crimes in their primary area thereby decentralizing the agency.
- We must pursue OUTREACH along with ENFORCEMENT. We simply can’t arrest our way out of homelessness, drug addiction, mental health disorders or a variety of other societal issues.
- Data Driven Deployment of Deputies will give us the advantage of modern technology in knowing where we need to focus our attention at any given time. We will share reported crime data with you through online mapping accessible to all. That way you will know the issues and be able to partner with us keeping watch in your area by knowing what issues exist there.
- We will establish a Volunteer Reserve Deputy program adding to our available personnel at minimal cost to the taxpayer. Carefully selected Reserve Deputies may include previously retired officers and those with an interest in the profession seeking to “get a foot in the door.” We will follow established state training and assignment protocols.
- Volunteer Citizen Action Recommendation Teams will allow us to make use of all of the expertise that is “hiding in plain sight” throughout our county. TOGETHER we will seek to find further solutions to drug rehab and treatment, homelessness, domestic violence, animal neglect and abuse, service to those with special needs, senior citizen services and other areas of concern.

Of course, we will look at any open or unsolved cases with a "fresh set of eyes." PARTNERS IN SAFETY... May God Bless Preston County and our families everywhere as we work TOGETHER for a BETTER TOMORROW!