



## SPRINGFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS

### Chief of Police

Springfield, Illinois - Mayor Jim Langfelder and Police Chief Ken Scarlette promoted eight officers in a ceremony at the Springfield Police Academy on Monday, April 25, 2022. Officers Brandon Golden, Eric Copelin, Michael Egan, William "Tyler" Woolsey, and Michael Vogel were promoted to the rank of Sergeant; Sergeant Scott Ligon was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant; Lieutenant Joseph Behl was promoted to the rank of Commander and Deputy Chief Joshua Stuenkel was promoted to the rank of Assistant Chief.

**Sergeant Brandon Golden** is a 16-year veteran of the Springfield Police Department. He has served as a training officer and a member of the Emergency Response Team. Sergeant Golden also currently serves in the Illinois Army National Guard. He is a graduate of Havana High School, earned a bachelor's degree from Western Illinois University and a master's degree from the University of Texas – El Paso. Sergeant Eric Copelin is a 19-year veteran of the Springfield Police Department. Sergeant Copelin has served as a Neighborhood Police Officer and as a member of the ILEAS Mobile Field Force Team. He is a graduate of Waverly High school, and earned an associate's degree from Lincoln Land Community College.

**Sergeant Michael Egan** is a 20-year veteran of the Springfield Police Department. He has served as Field Training Officer, a member of the Pro-Active Crimes Unit, and has prior military service with the Illinois Air National Guard. Sergeant Egan is a graduate of Ursuline Academy and has a bachelor's degree from Western Illinois University.

**Sergeant Tyler Woolsey** is a 14-year veteran of the Springfield Police Department. He has served as member of the Pro-Active Crimes Unit, Boat Patrol, Emergency Response Team, Honor Guard, as well as prior service in the Illinois Army National Guard. Sergeant Woolsey is a graduate of Normal Community High School and is licensed as an EMT-paramedic.

**Sergeant Mike Vogel** is a 26-year veteran of the Springfield Police Department. He has served as a Neighborhood Police Officer, Traffic Officer, and as a member of the Honor Guard and ILEAS Mobile Field Force Team. Sergeant Vogel is a graduate of Niantic-Harristown High School and earned a bachelor's degree from Southern Illinois University – Carbondale.

**Lieutenant Scott Ligon** is a 16-year veteran of the Springfield Police Department. Lieutenant Ligon has served as a Field Training Officer, Field Training Sergeant and a Neighborhood Police Officer. He is a recipient of the Springfield Police Department Porter Williams Award. Lieutenant Ligon is a graduate of Centennial High School, and earned a bachelor's degree from Illinois State University.

**Commander Joseph Behl** is a 15-year veteran of the Springfield Police Department. Commander Behl has served as a member of the Street Crimes Unit, the Diversity Advisory Committee, as a Neighborhood Police Officer, a training sergeant and as Commander of the Emergency Response Team. He is a recipient of the Springfield Police Department Silver Suarez Award and the Chief's Unit Citation. Commander Behl is a graduate of Petersburg PORTA High School and has a bachelor's degree from Illinois State University.

**Assistant Chief Joshua Stuenkel** is a 21-year veteran of the Springfield Police Department. Assistant Chief Stuenkel has served as a member of the Hostage Negotiation Team, Crime Scene Services Unit, and the Criminal Investigations Division as a Detective and Supervisor. He is a recipient of the Springfield Police Department William Herndon Award and the Chief's Unit Citation. Assistant Chief Stuenkel is a graduate of Springfield Lutheran High School, has a bachelor's degree from Southern



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