Chris Nanos, Sheriff

PIMA COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

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LAW ENFORCEMENT CAREER

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Sheriff 2021—Present
Appointed Sheriff August 2015—2016

- As the chief law enforcement officer in Pima County my duties are delineated pursuant to A.R.S. § 11-441, I am responsible for preserving the peace and safety in the 9,187 square miles of unincorporated areas of the county; for the custody and control of the county jail and care of prisoners; serving the superior court orders and warrants throughout the county; the collection of delinquent taxes; and the conducting or coordinating within the county of search and rescue operations involving the life or health of any person. I am accountable for coordinating county law enforcement efforts with regional municipalities. The office of sheriff upholds all laws written in the United States Constitution. I am responsible for a multi-million dollar budget and my department is comprised of nearly 1500 highly qualified, trained, and committed employees complemented by over 400 volunteers who provide support throughout the organization.

Chief Deputy 2014 to August 2015

- Responsible for the overall management of the Department, second in command of the organization of more than 1,500 employees. Assist the Sheriff by providing leadership on an organization-wide and community basis to ensure public safety services are provided in accordance with the department's mission and statutes.

Held the ranks of :

- Bureau Chief of Investigative Bureau promoted in 5/2013
- Captain promoted in 2009
- Lieutenant promoted in 1999 *
- Sergeant promoted in 1992
- Detective / Deputy promoted in 9/1984
- Began career as a Corrections Officer in 1/1984

*As a Lieutenant assigned to Internal Affairs, homeland security division, commander of two busiest patrol sub-stations and various divisions within the investigations division. Subject matter expertise in criminal investigations, particularly violent crimes, sex crimes, and narcotic interdiction

CITY OF EL PASO POLICE DEPARTMENT (1976—1984)

- Police Detective promotion
- Police Officer

EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS EL PASO

- Majored in Public Administration/Criminal Justice

ORGANIZATIONS SERVED OR CURRENTLY SERVING & OTHER

- Arizona Criminal Justice Commission Executive Member
- Alliance to Combat Transnational Threats (ACTT) Member
- Arizona High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Board Member
- Boys & Girls Club of Tucson Board Member
- Former Southern Arizona Child Advocacy Center Executive Board Member
- Former 88-Crime Advisory Board Member
- Received repeated recognition for his dedication and community work, to include volunteering for Special Olympics, working with homeowner associations, and neighborhood groups

PERSONAL

- Born and raised in El Paso, Texas
- Married to his wife of 41 years, Charlene Nanos