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NEWS RELEASE

Punta Gorda Police Department Launches Facebook Page

The Punta Gorda Police Department continues to improve on their Customer Service Model by launching a Facebook Page, which went live on September 14, 2015 at 4:00 pm.

Chief Tom Lewis, in his first day at the helm after the retirement of Chief Albert (Butch) Arenal, stated that fostering an open line of communication between the police department and residents is a top priority. "Social Media is an excellent tool for spreading knowledge quickly across all age groups, from young adults to senior citizens. This knowledge can help protect our community, catch suspects, or find missing persons."

Chief Lewis stated the page will be used to spread information during an emergency, whether it be a storm warning, a missing child, or safety information about criminal activity. The page will also highlight officers' accomplishments, make announcements regarding enforcement campaigns and provide messages about safety.

The Punta Gorda Police Department Facebook Page can be found at www.facebook.com/pgpdfl. Anyone interested in the police department is encouraged to 'Like' the Facebook page so updates will appear in your personal newsfeed. More assistance on liking a Facebook page can be found at <https://www.facebook.com/help/216630288356463>.

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