



# Cheyenne Police Department

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## **Cheyenne Police Department Welcomes Three New Officers**

CHEYENNE, Wyo.— The Cheyenne Police Department (CPD) is pleased to announce the hiring of three new police officers.

Teralyn Alarid, Mariah Bolkovatz, and Daniel van Swearingen were sworn in as Cheyenne Police Officers on Monday, June 7<sup>th</sup> at the Public Safety Center.

The new officers will now attend the Wyoming Law Enforcement Academy located in Douglas, WY.

Officer Bolkovatz and Officer Alarid are both natives of Cheyenne, WY. They each expressed a strong desire to give back to their hometown. “I have wanted to be a police officer since I was very young, I have been very fortunate and blessed to grow up in a community where I felt safe and supported,” said Officer Bolkovatz. “Now, I want to be that person that supports and makes others feel safe.”

Officer van Swearingen relocated to Wyoming from Alaska, where he was a teacher for eight years. “I have wanted to make the career change to becoming a police officer for about five years now,” said Officer van Swearingen. “I really like the idea of protecting and serving the citizens of Cheyenne.”

The CPD’s mission is “Protecting the Legend” by working in cooperation with Cheyenne’s citizens to lead the charge in preventing crime and defending the rights of the community. In their new roles, these recruits will be tasked with the duties of serving and protecting Wyoming’s capitol, and its largest city.

City officials, officers, members of the department and family members attended the swearing in ceremony and wished the new officers the best of luck and success in their new careers.

“These officers are the future of our organization,” said Chief of Police, Mark Francisco. “We are proud to welcome this next generation of leaders and appreciate their commitment to the police department and the community.”



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