

The mission of the Benton County Sheriff's Office is:

To keep Benton County safe by enforcing laws, providing public safety services, and building community partnerships with respect and integrity.

Our vision for Benton County:

The Benton County Sheriff's Office strives to reduce crime and build community trust while ensuring accountability to the people we serve.

Strategic goals for the Benton County Sheriff's Office:

- 1. Provide excellent service to the public.**
 - a. Work to fight crime and maintain public safety in all areas of Benton County
 - b. Measure and promote quality service by all employees
 - c. Provide crime prevention information to the public
- 2. Increase transparency and outreach to the public and public safety partners.**
 - a. Increase availability of information to the public
 - b. Increase the public's consumption of regularly updated information regarding the activities of the office and crime trends
 - c. Increase community involvement
 - d. Provide regular opportunities to interact with members of the public to discuss concerns, answer questions, and build rapport
 - e. Provide regular opportunities to meet with public safety partners to collaborate on issues, conduct training, build skills, and increase rapport
 - f. Identify resources that may be shared among agencies to increase efficiency
- 3. Acquire the people and tools needed to properly serve the public.**
 - a. Identify the law enforcement needs of the community and of the sheriff's office and advocate for additional staff and resources when required
 - b. Make efficient use of the staff and resources currently available
 - c. Attract high quality candidates for employment openings in the Sheriff's Office
 - d. Implement strategies to retain quality employees
- 4. Ensure staff has access to high quality training to enhance their skills and abilities.**
 - a. Develop individualized plans for staff members to maximize their learning and growth
 - b. Review and assess current training courses for quality and value

- c. Improve meeting facilities at the sheriff's office to enable our office to host more training opportunities; thereby reducing costs associated with tuition and transportation
- 5. Find solutions to better address the growing crisis in mental health.**
- a. Quantify the problems brought about in our community as a result of deficiencies in the current mental health system
 - b. Bring forward solutions to address the law enforcement related needs of individuals with mental health issues
 - c. Advocate for solutions to these deficiencies at local, state, and national levels