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