

# The PoliceChief

## Great Ideas in Law Enforcement

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Policing has a long and storied history, but as any textbook can tell you, it is also constantly evolving. Sometimes, the evolution of policing is catalyzed by a particularly innovative idea. Being innovative is challenging and sharing a new idea takes courage, but it could lead to more ideas, research, policy, practice, and evolution for the profession.

***Police Chief* is looking for great ideas about improving policing.** Great ideas can come from anywhere, so we are seeking contributors with ideas from all ranks within policing (including civilian employees) and all groups outside of policing (including students, citizens, elected leaders, researchers, faith community, advocates, and corrections); we are also very interested in international ideas.

**Tell us about an idea that you believe would improve any aspect of policing.** Your idea could be on how police can fight crime, leverage technology, be safe, create safety in the community, build community trust, or any other innovative idea that would reinvent or improve the craft of policing. Share your ideas with *Police Chief* according to the guidelines below. We want to know what your idea is and how it will improve law enforcement. **If it is a great idea that makes us say “Why didn’t anyone think of that sooner?” we’ll include it in our “Great Ideas in Law Enforcement” 2015 edition.**

**Submission Deadline: May 1, 2015**

### Submission Guidelines

*Submissions must be original work and previously unpublished.*

#### Format:

- 450–900 words
- Microsoft Word document with basic formatting – avoid headers, footers, and decorative fonts
- Do not include images or figures unless germane to the idea
- Submit any necessary graphics as separate high-resolution files

#### Submittal process:

- Click on the submission link at [www.policechiefmagazine.org/editorial](http://www.policechiefmagazine.org/editorial) and follow the steps listed there to submit your idea.
- Each submission must only contain one item; multiple ideas cannot be submitted together.

Please understand that we will not be able to respond to all submissions; authors will be notified if their submission is selected for publication.

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