

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH



INTRODUCING THE BEACON POLICE “LET US KNOW” PROGRAM

As Police Officers we know that mental health status is fluid. We also know that we may be called to respond to incidents involving your loved ones who are experiencing health or age-related changes to their mental health. We want to make sure that calls like this are handled as safely as possible for everyone involved.

If you have a loved one experiencing these changes and you're comfortable doing so, you can now contact us so we can discuss the situation and find out things like what tends to escalate or deescalate the person, who their emergency contacts are, etc. before we get a call. We'll put this information into our database and if an officer is called to respond to your loved one and we know who it is, we can update the officers on their way.

There is no way to prevent every stressful situation, but as a department, we've learned that we see the safest, most positive outcomes when we know the backgrounds of the people we're interacting with.

For more information, or to enroll, please contact Lt. Figlia at (845)831-4111.