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IACP and Cisco Recognize the Lincoln and Sandwich Police Departments for Outstanding Community Policing

Derry, NH: President, Chief Robert Wharem is proud to announce that two New Hampshire agencies were selected to receive the 2011 Community Policing nominations from IACP (International Association of Chiefs of Police) and Cisco.

“Law enforcement agencies were eligible to be nominated in five categories based on population. This year’s finalists are examples of community policing best practices. Their entries demonstrated the meaningful change that can occur when law enforcement officials and their communities are empowered to utilize all available resources for crime prevention and improvement of quality of life,” said Chief Wharem.

The philosophy of community policing is more relevant and necessary today than ever before. With resources limited by current economic conditions, the force multiplication agencies receive by implementing the community policing philosophy and partnering with citizens is the most effective means of making our communities safer, whether it is from crime or from terrorism.

The Lincoln and the Sandwich Police Departments were selected by the committee based on one of the requirements being a population fewer than 20,000.

“Community policing is vitally important to the international policing community and to the state, local and tribal communities we serve,” said Theodore Smith, chief of the Lincoln, Police Department. “Adopting the Community Policing philosophy of partnerships and problem solving, positions law enforcement agencies to successfully work together with their citizens to create a safer environment while combating crime and supporting homeland security. Community policing is central to the success of the police mission as we provide cost effective services to our diverse communities.”

The IACP’s Community Policing committee developed the Community Policing Award in 1998 to recognize outstanding community policing initiatives by law enforcement agencies worldwide.

“Cisco is honored to support public-safety organizations around the world and recognize the contributions of community policing agencies represented by the IACP Community Policing Awards,” said Bob Stanberry, former chief of Police and current Public Safety Channel Solutions for Cisco, for the Community Policing Awards. “We’re proud to support this outstanding awards program and collaborate with agencies in local communities.”

About the NHACOP

The New Hampshire Association of Chiefs of Police purpose is to secure a closer official and personal relationship among the commanding officers, of all police departments in New Hampshire, to encourage a cordial and cooperative intercourse among all police officials wherever they may be, to advance the science pertaining to the prevention and detection of crime and the apprehension of criminals, to elevate the standards of police service, to uphold the honor and integrity of the profession, and to conduct and transact the business of the Chiefs Association.

About The IACP

The International Association of Chiefs of Police is the world's oldest and largest nonprofit membership organization of police executives, with more than 20,000 members in more than 140 different countries. IACP's leadership consists of the operating chief executives of international, federal, state and local agencies of all sizes.

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