

Bergen County Sheriff's Office

The Bergen County Sheriff's Office is the largest law enforcement agency in Bergen County. With more than 500 dedicated personnel, we provide a broad range of services that assist the public, support the county's municipal police departments and safeguard Bergen's judicial proceedings.

As members of the law enforcement field, the hardworking men and women of the Sheriff's Office are dedicated to becoming a more integrated part of the neighborhoods in which we serve. With that local focus in mind, our Community Outreach Unit works to maintain a solid relationship between the Sheriff's Office and the residents of Bergen County, as well as foster a greater understanding of the duties and functions of the law enforcement community.

The Community Outreach Unit offers a variety of public safety initiatives including programs on alcohol and drug abuse, senior citizen and child safety, school violence and youth development. We are always adding and improving upon these programs to further protect our residents and prevent crime in our neighborhoods.

We hope you will follow along with us as we work to ensure that Bergen County remains one of the best – and safest – places in the nation in which to live, work and raise a family.



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S.T.A.R.T. to Make a Difference in the Lives of Our Youth

Each year, many children and teenagers in our communities find themselves standing in front of a judge due to juvenile delinquency. The Bergen County Sheriff's Office is dedicated to ending this downward spiral through the Sheriff's Training and Redirection Team (S.T.A.R.T.) Program.

The S.T.A.R.T. Program is an intensive, 10-day program run in cooperation with the Bergen County Family Court, the Bergen County Division of Family Guidance and the Bergen County Probation Department. The program is designed to turn criminal tendencies into positive behavior through structured events that promote emotional growth, personal development, behavior modification and positive reinforcement.

This innovative "boot camp" program is designed to rehabilitate juvenile offenders and prevent future incarceration by providing discipline, counseling and leadership in a military format. The curriculum consists of educational activities such as drug and alcohol counseling, teen violence and adolescent development.

Recruits also learn how to apply for employment, interview techniques and critical job skills.



S.T.A.R.T.

Sheriff's Training and Redirection Team



In addition to the educational component, drills and physical training are conducted by officers with years of experience working with youth. Recruits are also required to perform 40 hours of community service, which is designed to teach recruits how to work on a team.

While the S.T.A.R.T. Program is court ordered for most individuals, there are some openings available for guardians or police departments dealing with troubled youth. The program is run once a year with approximately 30 recruits.

Please contact the Bergen County Sheriff's Office if you know a youth who is on the verge of delinquency and needs a wake-up call.

Together, we can help our next generation become productive members of our communities.



For more information, please contact the Community Outreach Unit in the Bergen County Sheriff's Office at: 201-336-3540