## MEDINA POLICE DEPARTMENT GENERAL ORDER

ORDER NO: 2017-024 SUBJECT: Mutual Aid

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** 1 May 2017 **RESCINDS ORDER NO:** 99-05-02

**DISTRIBUTION:** All Department Personnel

PURPOSE: To establish the policy of the Medina Police Department in regards to

mutual aid and assistance to other agencies.

## I. POLICY:

A. The Medina Police Department shall provide assistance to other departments within Orleans County or adjoining counties upon request of that department.

## II. Procedure

- A. Upon request of an outside agency, the officer in charge shall authorize the appropriate response. If members are sent geographically outside of the Village of Medina, the Chief of Police or Lieutenant are to be notified by the officer in charge as soon as practical.
- B. It is the Medina Police Department's responsibility to provide police coverage within the jurisdictional boundaries of the village. If upon request of an outside agency for assistance it is the officer in charge's responsibility to determine who and how many members of the department will assist. Location (distance outside the village) and the severity of the incident should be considered when making this decision. At least one (1) member of the Medina Police Department should remain in the village at all times.
- C. If the request is for a special unit, i.e., Special Services, Evidence Technician, K-9 etc., the chief of police shall be notified and shall authorize such response.
- D. The police department routinely receives assistance from other agencies without formal agreement and shall reciprocate.
- E. Members must be knowledgeable of Criminal Procedure Law, Section 140, which governs the power of arrest outside an officer's geographical jurisdiction.
- F. Any overt action taken by a member during a mutual aid request will be documented on police department reports. Copies of the reports will be provided to the jurisdiction requesting aid.

By Order Of:

Chad Kenward Chief of Police