Nassau County PD Body-Worn Camera Program

Community Outreach

5th & 8th Precincts Initial Rollout



Why body-worn cameras?

- Nationwide there has been a call and there continues to be a call to improve policing. And we've heard that call in Nassau.
- BWC cameras are a proven tool for accountability, safety, and improved officer performance.
- Body cameras help build trust between police and the communities they serve.
- Video cameras, from mobile devices to doorbell cameras, are ever-present in our society. Their value as evidence gathering tools is clear. Body-worn cameras ensure that events are captured from the perspective of an officer.

Benefits of Body-Worn Cameras

Transparency



Camera recordings create neutral records of events.

Body-worn cameras are a proven tool for recording police interactions with the public.

Improved Community
Relations





Transparency and improved policing help to build trust between police and the communities they serve.

Improved Policing



Recordings improve civility, accountability, safety, evidence collection, and officer performance.

Body-Worn Camera Program Objective

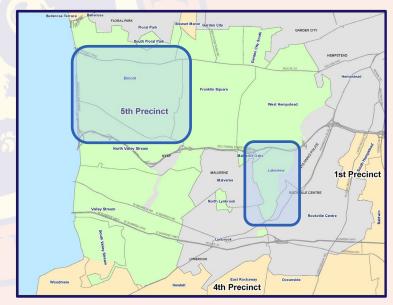
To increase safety, accountability, and transparency for the people and public safety officials of Nassau County.



Initial Rollout of Body-Worn Cameras

The rollout of body-worn cameras will begin in the 8th Precinct and the Elmont and Lakeview portions of the 5th Precinct. Body-worn cameras will be rolled out countywide by the end of 2021.





How will the body-worn camera program work?

Patrol Officers and Supervisors will be trained on how to use the Getac body-worn camera and the NCPD Policy governing its use.

The NCPD Body-Worn Camera Policy will cover such issues as:

- When officers must record
- How to securely manage and upload camera data
- Troubleshooting malfunctioning hardware

Once trained, Patrol Officers and Supervisors will be assigned their own bodyworn camera for use only in accordance with department policy and the law.

When will officers be required to record?

NCPD Policy will require camera activation during certain officer interactions* with the public such as:

- Responding to calls for service
- Traffic stops
- Enforcement actions such as serving warrants
- Transporting persons

^{*}To protect privacy, NCPD Policy may not allow activation of cameras in interactions with compelling individual privacy interests.

Our approach aligns with nationwide best practices

Building upon the work that the county has already done throughout Nassau County with the problem-oriented policing program (POP), NCPD's planned bodyworn camera rollout reflects the experience of police departments nationwide and locally, including the Freeport PD, New York State Police, and NYPD.

The NCPD Body-Worn Camera Policy is consistent with recommendations from:

- DOJ Community Oriented Policing Services
- Major Cities Chiefs Association
- International Association of Chiefs of Police
- Police Executive Research Forum

Our technology



Getac was chosen as the successful bidder in a competitive process for the provision of body-worn camera hardware. Getac is a market leader in rugged computing, and has deployed its products to public sector clients from the US Air Force and Israeli National Police to domestic police departments including the Charleston, SC PD and Springfield, MA PD.



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