



Chief Scott Tyler

Palmetto Police Department

Chief Tyler has been a resident of Manatee County since 1982 and was a small business owner until he began his service with the Palmetto Police Department in 1995. He has risen through the ranks at the Department and has held virtually every position, including patrol officer, patrol supervisor, school resource officer supervisor, community policing and crime prevention supervisor, detective sergeant, and deputy chief of police. He became Chief of Police on March of 2015. Chief Tyler is also an instructor at the Manatee Technical College Police Academy.

Among Chief Tyler's accomplishments that he is most proud of are helping to develop and implement the Palmetto Police Department's community policing and school resource officer programs. He also successfully created a city-wide Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design program, including an ordinance that requires CPTED principals be included in all City construction and renovation. Chief Tyler was the Palmetto Police Department Officer of the Year in 1997 and was recognized as the Manatee 100 Club Officer of the Year in 1997.

Chief Tyler believes in strong ties with the community. Among his many duties, Chief Tyler serves his community on the Manatee County Fair Board, as Chair of the Manatee Technical College Law Enforcement Academy Advisory Board, as Chair of the North River Prevention Partners Advisory Board, and as Chair of the Florida Municipal Insurance Trust Law Enforcement Advisory Panel. He is also an active member of the Manatee County Bridging the Gap.