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Training of instructors is another priority for the Department. This allows for in-house subject matter experts who are up to date on training material, techniques and legal considerations.

Future goals of the Silverton Police Department to strengthen our relationships with the community and their understanding of how and why the department operates as it does are to:

- Provide opportunities for citizen ride alongs with Patrol Officers.
- Start a Citizen Police Academy – for a more in depth opportunities to talk with officers and participate in some of the various skills training Officers go through.
- Expand the opportunities to for Officers to become more involved in community groups,
- Hold a ‘Town Hall’ type meeting with the Chief and community to hear presentations on police operations and to allow for community members to ask questions, provide ideas and suggestions on how the Police Department could improve.
- Request an Agency Review by a panel of Oregon Chiefs of Police from the Oregon Association of Chiefs of Police. This review evaluates agencies on meeting best practices, policies and procedures, inter-agency agreements and training to name a few of the major evaluation areas.

The future goals are ideas and concepts currently being discussed and worked on within the Police Department so when the covid-19 situation improves and we can move forward, the Department will be ready to do so with the community.