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## **Columbus Police Commanders Graduate from Leadership Academy** *Law Enforcement from Around the World Attend Inaugural Program in Washington, D.C.*

After working together with law enforcement leaders from across the world over the last three months, Columbus Division of Police Commanders Aimee Haley and Christine Nemchev graduated from Cohort 2023-01 of the DC Police Leadership Academy hosted by the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD).

Cohort 2023-01 was the inaugural cohort of the DCPLA program. The three-week program, broken into two sessions, comprised approximately 70 participants from across the U.S. and included representatives from Germany, Canada, Netherlands, and England. Participants engaged in shaping the future of policing by developing their personal leadership abilities through discourse and interactive activities.

“We are focused on building a global legion of police leaders who strive to continuously transfer excellence at every level of a police force,” said MPD Chief of Police Robert J. Contee, III.

“Opportunities for people to step up and rise to the occasion must be bountiful within law enforcement for us to reach our highest levels of operations. I am confident the leadership academy will continue to set our future police leaders up for continued advancement and success in any public safety environment.”

Commander Haley joined the Columbus Division of Police in 1997 and currently oversees the Organized Crime Bureau. Commander Nemchev joined the Columbus Division of Police in 1996 and is assigned to Zone 4 which encompasses the University District, Linden, Clintonville, and neighborhoods in northcentral Columbus.

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