

<b>PALM BEACH GARDENS POLICE DEPARTMENT</b>		
<b>CONCURRENT JURISDICTION</b>		
<b>POLICY AND PROCEDURE 4.2.1.29</b>		
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**PURPOSE:** To establish the responsibilities of agencies who have concurrent jurisdiction in the City of Palm Beach Gardens.

**SCOPE:** This policy and procedure applies to all members.

**REVIEW RESPONSIBILITY:** Chief of Police

**POLICY:** Jurisdictional authority and responsibility for a single law enforcement agency among other agencies within the same service area should be clearly defined. This shall work with other agencies having concurrent jurisdictional responsibility with a clear understanding of their role in responding to another agency's assistance regarding specified types of requested events.

## **1. PROCEDURAL PROVISIONS**

- a. The Palm Beach Gardens Police Department is responsible for providing all law enforcement services within the City of Palm Beach Gardens. Although the Palm Beach Gardens Police Department has jurisdiction in the city, there are concurrent (overlapping) jurisdictions with county, state, and federal law enforcement agencies.
- b. The Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office has concurrent jurisdiction and provides services and/or assistance to include, but not be limited to: Crime Scene Investigation and lab analysis, bomb disposal, helicopter patrol at the request of the Palm Beach Gardens Police Department, use of PALMS computer terminals for criminal/arrests data retrieval, records and reports as requested, intelligence information as requested, and deployment of back-up support as needed. The Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office has available for assistance an Emergency Response Team, a Crisis Management Team, an Underwater Recovery Team, a multi-agency (Man Unit) Drug Task Force, in which Palm Beach Gardens Police Department is a participant, boat patrol, and other specialized teams and/or equipment which is provided when circumstances dictate. Both agencies operate in regard to arrests/apprehension and return of fugitives, conducting investigations of a multi- jurisdictional function, and exchanging information with other law enforcement agencies and State Attorney's Office.
- c. The Florida Highway Patrol has current jurisdiction for traffic-related activity/enforcement on county and state freeways, on ramps, and off ramps that are located within the City of Palm Beach Gardens. The Palm Beach Gardens Police Department is responsible for all criminal activity that occurs on the freeway system within the boundaries of Palm Beach Gardens and is available to assist the Highway Patrol as needed.
- d. The Department has established concurrent jurisdiction with State and Federal law enforcement agencies that have the authority to conduct investigations within the City of Palm Beach Gardens. Officers and representatives of these agencies, through competent authority within these agencies, will notify the

- designated and/or when they plan to conduct a law enforcement activity in Palm Beach Gardens, unless the nature of the investigations warrants direct consultation with the Chief of Police. The Chief of Police shall be informed by the affected /of all investigations conducted by state or federal officers/representatives. In return, this will provide resources, as available and as requested, for joint investigation of such activity.
- e. With the approval of the Palm Beach Gardens City Council, the Chief of Police may enter into agreement with other law enforcement agencies to establish services levels in areas of concurrent jurisdiction. The agreement will specify:
- i. Agency response to calls for service;
  - ii. Communications between the agencies;
  - iii. Personnel and support resources;
  - iv. Reporting responsibilities;
  - v. Payment for services, if required; and
  - vi. Prosecutor and court jurisdiction.

## 2. GLOSSARY

**Concurrent Jurisdiction** -A parcel of property upon which the Palm Beach Gardens Police Department and another law enforcement agency both have full jurisdiction.

**Exclusive jurisdiction** -A parcel of property upon which a single law enforcement agency has jurisdiction.

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