

Full biographies and statements of members of the Flagstaff Police Department Community

Liaison Committee:

- Roxana Cardiel De Niz is the Interim Organizer for the Northern Arizona Institutions for Community Leadership (NAICL), the education arm of Northern Arizona Interfaith Council. She also works for North Country HealthCare as a community health worker. She works on issues in education, immigration, housing, transportation, cultural competency and other social justice issues as they pertain to the health and well-being of the Flagstaff community. She first arrived in Flagstaff to study at Northern Arizona University in 1995 and has lived here since then. She is a proud mother of four children and works arduously to create the community she wants her children to grow up in. — *“Why did I choose to be part of this? I feel it is my responsibility to do my part to ensure a meaningful relationship between my community and the Flagstaff Police Department. Setting up this committee creates a space where that two-way relationship based on trust and accountability can develop and thrive.”*
- Scott Deasy, an ordained Episcopal deacon at the Church of the Epiphany in Flagstaff and co-chair of the Northern Arizona Interfaith Council. He has lived in Flagstaff for 17 years, working at Tuba City and North Country HealthCare during this time. — *“I hope that individually and collectively as a committee, we can facilitate the continuing dialogue between our police department and our community. This will be done honestly, respectfully and in a non-adversarial manner in order to exchange information, questions and concerns from either our community or police department, with the intent to understand the ‘other’ and in good faith respond to issues.”*
- Jessie Dominguez, president of the Plaza Vieja Neighborhood Association and currently employed with the City of Flagstaff Housing Authority — *“I am a life-long resident of Flagstaff. I have seen Flagstaff grow from 10,000 to its present size. I love Flagstaff and how beautiful it is. I have also seen problems that have come along with the growth of it. I am involved with La Plaza Vieja neighborhood and have been a strong supporter of our police department. I have also seen that they have issues that need to be addressed.”*
- Maria De Jesus Guillen, a director with the Northern Arizona Institutions for Community Leadership. Self-employed, she participates in Coconino Community College’s “Ingles para adultos / English for adults” program and is a member and supporter of San Francisco de Asis Catholic Church — *“I would like to be a member of this committee to help develop a plan to help us find the best solutions to the problems that plague us.”*
- Deborah Harris serves as Associate Dean of Students at Northern Arizona University. She is responsible for coordinating the Parent/Family Services Program, NAU Student Child Care Voucher Program and works with student retention activities. In 1993, Deborah and her son Lawrence moved from Eau Claire, Wisconsin to Flagstaff, Arizona. During her years at NAU, Deborah has been involved in a number of university organizations, including serving as Co-

Chair for the Minority Recruitment and Retention Committee and as the staff co-chair for the Commission on Ethnic Diversity. She has been involved in a host of university activities ranging from serving as advisor to various student organizations to serving on numerous faculty, staff and administrative selection committees. In the community, Deborah served as the chair of Success by 6, a United Way initiative, the United Way Board of Directors of Northern Arizona, Coconino County African American Advisory Council, Flagstaff Unified School District governing board (serving as president of board for 2 years) and the Governor's African-American Advisory Council. She has also been involved in the Big Brothers/Big Sisters NAU Pipeline Mentoring Program where she mentored a student from the 7th grade through high school graduation.

- — *“Every organization can improve, so I would like the opportunity to work with fellow community members and the police department to improve not only the department but the lives of community members. Also, I would hope that my years of experience living in and working in communities of color might be of some assistance.”*
- Kathryn Jim, president of the Northern Arizona Pride Association, a lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, Queer (LGBTQ) nonprofit organization that has been in existence for the past 19 years. — *“...We appreciate the opportunity (to serve on the committee) and hope to insure and unify the great partnership we have with the Flagstaff Police Department. ... Northern Arizona Pride Association has always been committed to making LGBTQ social issues a priority. Being involved with this committee supports our mission and vision, insuring that we take action in any type or form of discrimination, such as social and human right issues, and most of all hate crimes involving the LGBTQ community. We believe working hand-in-hand with the Flagstaff Police Department is a forward move in creating a more proactive community for the LGBTQ individual, we are proud our organization has been asked to be apart of this new committee, and we are looking forward to the success it brings to Flagstaff.”*
- Pit Kolodinsky, a longtime licensed psychotherapist and program coordinator of master's degree programs in mental health counseling and school counseling at Northern Arizona University. — *“I am honored to be involved in this committee because of the potential for it to evolve into a difference-making community service entity. I hope to be able to contribute given my professional role (involvement with mental health agencies and schools), and to help connect us all to the crucial role of the FPD. It's also obviously a critical time to explore ways to continue enhancing relationship bonds between communities' and their police departments.”*
- Laura Longoria, a member of Arizona Dreamers in Action and an employee at North Country HealthCare. — *“(I joined the committee) to learn more about the police and about the community and the police. I would represent the Hispanic / undocumented community. I would*

also represent Arizona Dreamers in Action and Northern Arizona Interfaith Council. I also have communications with many different community groups.”

- Frank X. Moraga, chair of the Coconino Hispanic Advisory Council (CHAC), parent and community outreach coordinator for the Coconino Coalition for Children & Youth and editor / publisher of AmigosNAZ.com. A former newspaper reporter, business editor, director of diversity and general manager for a bilingual publication, Frank first visited Flagstaff in 1986 and moved here in 2008. He is also a member of Flagstaff Nuestras Raíces, a board member of Flagstaff Communicators and a member of North Country HealthCare (NCHC) Cultural Competency Committee. — *“Through my interaction with multiple diverse communities and organizations in Northern Arizona and elsewhere, I have found that opening up and improving the lines of communications have always played an important role in breaking down the barriers of conflict. Issues will always arise, but by proactively promoting improved communications between individuals, communities and organizations, we can turn these situations into true teaching moments.”*
- Walt Miller, Flagstaff Police Department Deputy Chief (Support Services). Walt was born in Flagstaff, graduating from Flagstaff High School in 1985. He earned his bachelor's degree in Special Education from Northern Arizona University. Prior to a career in law enforcement he accepted a teaching position at Coconino High School teaching in their Special Education Department for 4 ½ years. In January 1997, Walt joined the Flagstaff Police Department. He has worked in patrol as an officer and supervisor. He was then transferred to Criminal Investigations as a detective and was later promoted to sergeant. Over the past 18 years, he has served in many capacities such as a field training officer, firearms instructor, range master, tactical operations commander, Professional Standards Sergeant and patrol Lieutenant. Walt currently serves as a Deputy Chief of Police and oversees the departments support service division. During his career Walt has been named the officer of the year by the Masonic Lodge and Exchange Club. He has also been awarded the 7K Award for excellence in customer service, the department's Meritorious Service Award and in 2009 he received the City Managers Excellence Award for Professionalism.
- Marianne Sullivan is a Senior Assistant City Attorney with the Flagstaff City Attorney's Office. She provides legal advice to the Flagstaff Police Department and handles civil suits filed against the department and its officers. She has been an attorney for more than 16 years, originally representing children in Abuse and Neglect Law for more than seven years in Cook County, Ill. and Los Angeles County, CA before moving to Flagstaff in 2004, where she has also worked as a prosecutor with the City of Flagstaff and the Coconino County Attorney's Office.
- Rose Toehe, a member of Native Americans for Community Action (NACA) and director of the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Program. She is of Navajo/Ute descent of the clan Tachil'nil

Nooda'l, originally from the Four Corners area. She moved to Flagstaff in 1977, is a graduate of Flagstaff High School and an alumna of Northern Arizona University. — *“I believe as a community member, it is our duty to make the place we call home to be safe, inclusive, collaborative and inter-dependent so that citizens have a sense of pride and visitors go away with a memorable experience in the cultural richness of Flagstaff. We live in the richest cultural area, possibly in all of Arizona and we receive visitors from all over the world. Yet, there is still a division within our community, which creates unnecessary uneasiness. There has to be a better way to bridge our rich and viable communities together ... Personally, I applaud FPD for reaching out to the citizens / residents to help make our community a model community. They need our help: We should be willing to help.”*

- Kevin Treadway, Flagstaff Police Department Chief since 2011. He has worked for the department for more than 28 years, starting as a patrol officer in 1987 and working his way up through the ranks, teaching DARE programs to fifth graders, as a detective, accident reconstructionist, hostage negotiator and in special enforcement. He has a bachelor's degree from NAU in Business Administration and a master's degree from NAU in Educational Leadership. — *“By creating the Citizens Liaison Committee, it is my hope that our community policing initiatives are strengthened. Community Policing is best defined today as the establishment of partnerships, problem-solving and organizational transformation. This committee is comprised of a good cross-section of the Flagstaff community, with folks representing not only a variety of different racial populations, but special-interest groups. It is my hope that we may all work together to enhance relations between the police department and the community we serve, identifying ways the department can serve our community better, and implementing applicable ideas into our protocols and our strategic plan.”*
- Lina H. Wallen, a Coconino Court Appointed Special Advocate, president of NAACP-Flagstaff Chapter, board member of the Coconino Coalition for Children & Youth, chair of Coconino Foster Care Review Board, board member of Coconino Victim Compensation Program, board member of *DREAMS* – scholarship awards program for FUSD students, and board member of Northern Arizona Regional Behavioral Health Authority. She is a long time resident of Flagstaff, retired and actively volunteering in several organizations in the community. She has attended the Citizen Police Academy and the Flagstaff Leadership Program. — *“I have worked and volunteered in many aspects of life in Flagstaff, economic, cultural, legal, educational and political. I think I have been a strong, reasonable advocate (especially for children and families) across cultural and economic categories and I work well with others to find solutions to problems. I believe I can be effective liaison between the Flagstaff Police Department and the community and help bring a more productive relationship.”*