



Biography

Mac Tristan

Chief of Police (Ret.)
Coppell Police Department

Mac Tristan retired as Chief of Police from the Coppell Police Department after serving nearly 8 years.

He was a 29 1/2 year veteran of the Carrollton Police Department. He promoted through the ranks to the position of Assistant Chief of Police, where he served for 17 years. He worked as Bureau Chief for each of the three Bureaus' of the Carrollton Police Department and has been responsible for every Division and Unit of the department during his career.

On January 24, 2011, Chief Tristan was sworn in as Chief of Police for the City of Coppell Police Department.

Chief Tristan received his Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice from Sam Houston State University, where he graduated with Honors. He is a graduate of the FBI National Academy, the Senior Management Institute for Police, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Cambridge, Massachusetts, and the U.S. Army War College Strategic Implementation Seminar in Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania.

Chief Tristan believes strongly in Problem Oriented Policing and Servant Leadership. He not only teaches the subject, he has successfully implemented this philosophy in every bureau and department he has led. He has worked with the Chinese National Police in Hangzhou, China, has lectured in Stockholm, Sweden with the Swedish National Police and as a speaker at the Stockholm Criminology Symposium. He continues to lecture on Leadership, Problem Oriented Policing, Changing Organizational Cultures and the Servant Leadership style of Management to not only police organizations throughout the country but to private corporations as well.