

Community Advisory Board for Law Enforcement of Washtenaw County (CABLE) A Valuable Resource in Washtenaw County

WHAT IS CABLE? The Community Advisory Board for Law Enforcement of Washtenaw County (CABLE) acts as a liaison between the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office and the Washtenaw County community. CABLE provides a forum for the residents of Washtenaw County or any local organization to express their perspectives on any aspect of the Washtenaw County Sheriff's operations. CABLE will gather information on important issues concerning the Sheriff's office, serve as a conduit for information between the community and the Washtenaw County Sheriff's office (WCSSO) and make recommendations to the WCSSO on specific incidents or policies, as necessary. Sheriff Jerry Clayton supports the existence and purpose of CABLE.

WHAT DOES THE CABLE board DO? When a complaint is presented to the board, CABLE will investigate it with Sheriff's office staff and event records; review and discuss the complaint in light of the records and evidence provided by the person or group filing the complaint; and report its findings and recommendations back to the individual or group that presented the complaint and to the Sheriff's Office, at a later date. When a recommendation for a policy change is presented to the board, CABLE will present the proposed change to the Sheriff's Office, requesting both current policy and an evaluation from the Sheriff's Office of the potential impact of the suggested change. CABLE will consider the suggested change in light of all available information; and report its recommendations to both the citizen or group bringing the proposal and to the Sheriff's Office. **Some complaints may be beyond CABLE's scope and if so, it will be communicated to the community member or group.**

Current CABLE members:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Community of Residence</u>
Germaine Smith, Chair	Dexter Township
Elizabeth Thompson, Secretary	Ypsilanti Township
Simone Strong	Ypsilanti Township
Charo Ledon	City of Ann Arbor
Lisa Fedina	City of Ann Arbor
Nehal Petal	City of Ann Arbor
Nevo Palonsky	City of Ann Arbor

WHEN DOES CABLE MEET? CABLE meets every month on the second Thursday of each month from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Currently, CABLE is meeting virtually in Zoom webinar. In the past, CABLE has periodically met at a community location, giving residents the opportunity to bring concerns closer to the community in which they live.

Zoom link: https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_5zMMGXkLTzGasAcTQyQp4Q

WHAT CAN YOU DO? Alert the community to the existence of CABLE, and encourage people to attend our meetings to learn more and raise any concerns or suggestions about the Sheriff's Office. Members of the CABLE board are also available to attend a meeting of your group, to further explain its mission and activities. We look forward to working with the community and advising the Sheriff's Office on possible ways to address and resolve any issues and misunderstandings.

Questions, concerns and suggestions may be emailed to the committee at: washtenawcable@gmail.com
To reach the Board Chair directly, email Germaine Smith: germaineosmith@gmail.com

We look forward to hearing from you!