

Frank Fagiano  
Chief of Police, Village of Elmwood Park  
Class of 2000

**How has Triton College made an impact on your life?**

Triton College was the key that opened my door for success. Triton provided the platform and direction for me to grow, mature and learn the principles of a sound education in a community environment. The Criminal Justice Program was so outstanding that it eventually elevated me to various promotions in the Police Department.

**Biography**

Frank Fagiano was appointed chief of police of the village of Elmwood Park in 2011. Prior to this role, Chief Fagiano began his career as an auxiliary police officer and then hired as a patrol officer, then promoted to sergeant, watch commander and deputy chief. He has continued his police-related training in executive management courses at Northwestern University Public Safety for Police Executives program.

In his role as chief, he has been instrumental in initiating many new programs within the Elmwood Park community. Chief Fagiano has provided a comprehensive approach to delivering police services, including regularly analyzing current crime trends and patterns. He has also initiated a crime free housing program which aids in curbing crime levels within the community.

Chief Fagiano has provided youth community support related programs such as Child Safety, Officer Friendly and Stranger Danger, Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) and Gang Resistance Education and Training (GREAT).

Chief Fagiano is member of the Illinois Chiefs of Police Association and the West Suburban Chief of Police Association. He is a decorated commanding officer and a recipient of numerous unit and team commendations for exemplary performance. He has received a number of awards during his career lifetime, including three distinguished Cook County Sheriffs Merit Awards for outstanding law enforcement work.