

The City of Beacon Police Department will strive to protect the rights and integrity of all persons without prejudice or bias against race, religion, ethnic and national origin or sexual orientation within its jurisdiction; to safeguard the diversities of our communities and its citizens, to be free from criminal attack, threats of violence and persecution, secure in their possessions, and vigilant that together we can enjoy peace and harmony.

The Police Department's methods must stress cooperation with citizens based on trust rather than fear and they must emphasize prevention of crime as well as suppression of crime. The existence and effectiveness of the Police Department depends on public approval of police actions and behavior and in general on the Police Department's ability to secure and maintain the public's respect.

It is not the practice of the Beacon Police Department to inquire as to one's immigration status or engage in activities solely for the purpose of enforcing immigration laws. The Beacon Police Department does not have the authority nor the desire to stop or arrest individuals based on their immigration status.

While the Beacon Police Department interacts, and cooperates with local, state and federal law enforcement agencies on a regular basis, interactions with agencies such as ICE have been few and far between. Presence of immigration enforcement in the City of Beacon has been limited to merely a few instances in decades. That being said, based on current events, the administration of the Beacon Police Department recognizes the sensitivity of this issue and any requests by immigration authorities for information or assistance will be thoroughly vetted.