

# Sheriff Mike Williams, Jacksonville Sheriff's Office



Sheriff Mike Williams was born and raised in Jacksonville. He served in the Air National Guard and began his successful career at the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office in 1991.

As a young patrol officer, he rode "a beat" in downtown Jacksonville, where he developed relationships with citizens and business leaders, believing early in his professional life that connecting with citizens was very important to the success of what the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office was trying to accomplish – reducing and solving crime together with citizens who are engaged with their officers. He quickly developed a reputation as a police officer who cares about people and who likes to work with citizens to solve their public safety issues.

Sheriff Williams worked his way up the ranks and was appointed Director of Investigations and Homeland Security. He retired from service in July 2014 as the appointed Director of Patrol and Enforcement, and in 2015, Mike Williams was elected Sheriff of Jacksonville.

Sheriff Williams earned a Bachelor of Science degree in multi-disciplinary studies from Liberty University in Lynchburg, Virginia, and he is a graduate of the FBI's National Executive Institute