

## **Press Release**

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## East Dundee Village Board Appoints Joshua Fourdyce as Chief of Police

At last night's Village Board meeting, Deputy Chief Joshua Fourdyce was sworn in as the next Chief of Police for East Dundee. Chief Fourdyce joined the East Dundee Police Department earlier this year after having served nearly 19 years with the Woodstock Police Department. His first day as Chief will be December 1, 2023, when current Chief of Police James Kruger retires.

"We are excited to have Chief Fourdyce lead the East Dundee Police Department," said Village President Jeff Lynam. "He has had the opportunity to be mentored by Chief Kruger, and we have every confidence that he will continue building on our past successes and take the East Dundee Police Department to a safe and prosperous future."

Fourdyce started his tenure at Woodstock as a Patrol Officer in 2004 and then rose through the department serving as a School Resource Officer, Investigator, Patrol Sergeant, and Detective Sergeant. He holds a bachelor's degree from Knox College and a master's degree from the University of Phoenix in the Administration of Justice and Security. Fourdyce also graduated from the University of Illinois' Police Training Institute and the Northwestern University Center for Public Safety School of Police Staff and Command.

"I am humbled and excited for the opportunity to lead the East Dundee Police Department" said Fourdyce. "The reputation of policing is built one contact at a time. I will work tirelessly to continue to foster the positive police-community relationship that exists in East Dundee. I will also ensure that the department stays ahead of the curve in current trends in policing such as recruiting, retention, wellness, staff development and technological advancement. When you see me out in the community in the coming months, please say hello. I look forward to serving our community."

In addition to his policing career, Fourdyce had a decorated military career. He was Honorably Discharged from the US Army National Guard in 2015 while the rank of Sergeant and he served as a Dispatcher for the 1158th Transportation Company out of Beloit, WI. He was the Distinguished Leadership Graduate during both Army Basic Training and Army Advanced Individual Training, which earned him the Army Achievement Medal. He was also the Distinguished Honor Graduate of Army Warrior Leader Course. In addition to his accomplishments in the military, Fourdyce is also an inductee of the Knox College Athletic Hall of Fame, and the Mercer County Athletic Hall of Fame.

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