

Thurston County - Prosecuting Attorney

Prosecuting Attorney - The prosecuting attorney prosecutes criminal actions in superior, district, and juvenile courts. The prosecuting attorney also provides legal advice to county officials and represents the county in civil actions and mental illness hearings.

The family support division of the prosecuting attorney's office handles paternity and child support collection cases. The victim's advocate division of the prosecuting attorney's office assists victims/survivors throughout the criminal prosecution of their offenders.

Prosecuting Attorney

All voters in the county will vote on this position.



For the past 20 years, I've worked in the courtrooms of Thurston County as a Deputy Prosecutor, seeking justice in some of the most challenging cases. At the same time, I have continuously worked to improve the system for victims and their families, especially child victims.

I believe in the power of teamwork. As County Prosecutor, I will partner with law enforcement and community organizations to find innovative ways to reduce domestic violence, prevent gang crime, and ensure that our kids are

safe. I support the use of drug court, mental health court and other collaborative courts, and I will continue to look for ways to make the criminal justice system more efficient and effective. I believe that only by working together, can we keep Thurston County a safe place to live, work and raise a family. For more information, please visit my website at www.jontunheim.com.

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(Prefers Democratic Party)

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Thurston County - Sheriff

Sheriff - The basic duties of sheriff fall into four categories: law enforcement; jail facilities management; civil and legal processing; and emergency operations. Law enforcement responsibilities consist of arresting and detaining alleged law violators, keeping the peace, and enforcing the legal controls relating to pollution, hunting, firearms, fireworks, traffic, and watercraft activities.

The sheriff also maintains and operates county jail

facilities; serves court orders, summons, and subpoenas; conducts the forced sales of all property and foreclosures; and assists in disaster emergencies (i.e. floods, earthquakes, etc.) and in search and rescue operations.

Sheriff

All voters in the county will vote on this position.



Current times demand that your Sheriff's Office be managed like a business; keeping in mind that you, the citizens, are the owners. We must partner with others to assure the safety of our community, my foremost priority. Through input from office personnel and community members, we will develop a reorganization plan and review our procedures to better serve you.

I have 15 years of law enforcement experience with Thurston County Sheriff's office as a Deputy, Sergeant, and

Lieutenant; currently on contract as the Deputy Director of the Washington State Criminal Justice Training Commission. I have a Masters Degree and Ph.D in Organizational Leadership.

With my experience and education, I am the most qualified person to lead the Sheriff's Office. I have bipartisan support and would appreciate your vote. It will be my honor to serve you.

As your Sheriff, I will not forget that we work for you. Thank you.

Debra (Debbie) Mealy
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Thurston County is our home. I have been honored to serve this great community in law enforcement my entire adult life. During this time we have seen significant changes, including dramatic growth, an increase in violent crime, and the recent economic crisis that has impacted us all.

As Sheriff, I promise to place the safety of your family above all else. By placing more deputies on the road, reducing management, increasing community crime prevention and supporting youth programs. I will make your safety a priority

by developing innovative resource sharing programs with allied agencies to converge on career criminals, sex offenders, drug dealers, gangs, and identity thieves.

Our community deserves a Sheriff who will put partisan politics aside and secure the resources necessary to protect and serve us all. I ask for your vote as Sheriff out of a genuine passion to serve and protect this great community we share.

John Snaza
(Prefers Independent Party)

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