



Deputy Chief Mike Callaghan was born in Belleville and spent the first 7 years of his life here. He then moved to Amherstview and was a graduate of Regiopolis Notre-Dame Catholic High School in 1982. Deputy Chief Callaghan returned to Belleville in 1982 to attend Loyalist College in the Law and Security program, where he received the Loyalist Protection Services Award. Over the past 30 years he has maintained strong local ties and shown an unwavering dedication and commitment to quality policing. As an Ottawa Police Officer, Mike had the opportunity to work in a many sections including Patrol, Accident Reconstruction, Forensic Identification, Fleet Services, Marine, Traffic, Collision Re-construction, Motorcycle Escort, Criminal Investigations, Youth, Guns & Gangs Unit and Firearms, Emergency Planning, Major Event Planning, as well as the Duty Inspector Program. In addition, he was a Civil Litigation Liaison Officer and is a nationally certified Critical Incident Commander.

Deputy Chief Callaghan has made several outstanding contributions to the field of criminal justice. As a member of the Ottawa Police Identification Section, he launched the Chemical Biological Radioactive Nuclear Explosive (CBRNE) team, and led the implementation of the Direct Action Response Team (DART). He was responsible for a Mentoring Program for officer development and implemented a Walk-About Program with City Councilors to address chronic or emerging community trends. He has been published in the American Medical Journal for his work around anthrax dispersion rates. Deputy Chief Callaghan was seconded to the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade to spearhead internal security logistics for both the G8 & G20 held in Canada. He was also seconded to the Department of Aboriginal Affairs to help develop the National and Regional Emergency Response Management Team.

Deputy Chief Callaghan is currently responsible for the supervising the following sections: Criminal Investigations Bureau, Court Section, Property Section, Forensic Identification, Information Technology Section, Freedom of Information Section, Records Management Section, Fleet and Facility Management, Community Safety Village, Crime Stoppers, and will be the liaison with the City of Belleville for the new police building.

Deputy Chief Callaghan comes from a long line of police officers with his two older brothers being former (retired) Ottawa Police officers and both of his sons have chosen a career in policing as well with the Ottawa Police Service.