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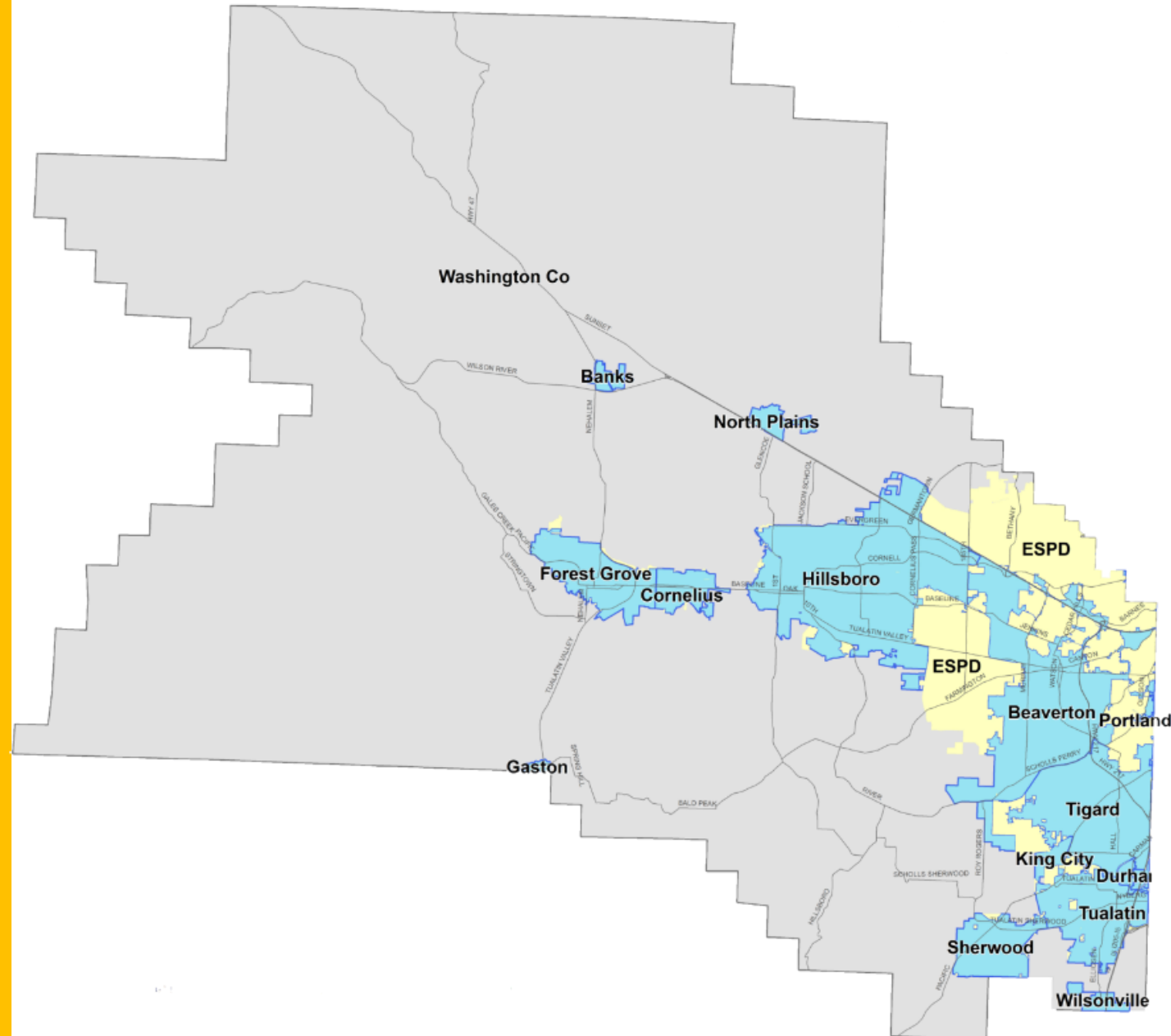
Public Safety in Washington County

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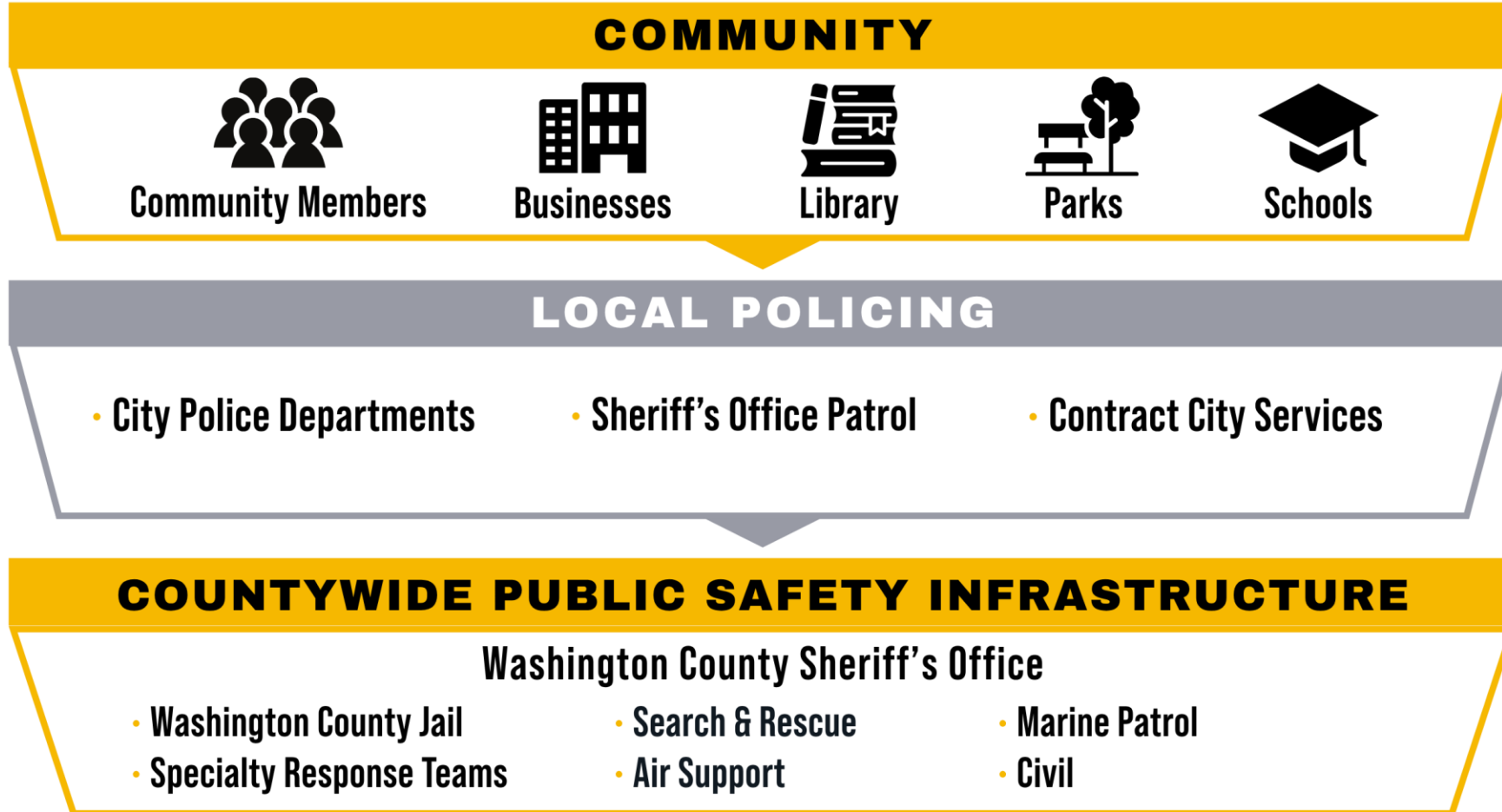
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Provide county-wide services to over 614,000 community members

- Manage Washington County's only jail
- Primary first responders for rural and urban unincorporated residents
- Provides contracted policing services for municipal partners
- Partnering with law enforcement agencies across the county
- Washington County remains the safest major urban county in Oregon



The Washington County Public Safety System



Supporting Law Enforcement Across Washington County

Critical Infrastructure for Countywide Public Safety

Countywide Coordination

Enables patrol, investigations, and specialty teams to operate seamlessly across jurisdictions

Training and Readiness

Prepares law enforcement officers across the county for complex calls, crisis response, and evolving community needs

Technology Investment

Provides tools like data systems and emerging technology to enhance response capabilities and transparency

Flexible, Countywide Response

Allows resources and specialized teams to be deployed where they are needed most – across any community



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Prepared to Protect – Countywide Specialty Teams



Some public safety incidents require specialized training, equipment, and coordination.

Countywide special response teams allow agencies to:

- Increase the potential for peaceful resolution
- Respond safely to complex incidents
- Provide specialized investigative expertise
- Support all law enforcement agencies in the county

Prepared to Protect – Countywide Specialty Teams

- Air Support Unit
- Crash Analysis Reconstruction Team
- Criminal Apprehension Team
- Crisis Negotiations Unit
- K9 Unit
- Marine Patrol
- Mental Health Response Team
- Search and Rescue
- Tactical Negotiations Team
- Mobile Field Force



Crash Analysis Reconstruction Team (CART)

Supports agencies across Washington County by investigating serious and fatal crashes.

- Reconstructing complex crash scenes
- Collecting and analyzing forensic evidence
- Supporting criminal investigations and court proceedings

Key Technology

- New 3D scanning technology allows investigators to capture crash scenes with high precision.
- This technology helps investigators document evidence quickly and accurately.



Mental Health Response Team (MHRT)

Provides specialized response to individuals experiencing behavioral health crises.

Team members work to:

- De-escalate crisis situations
- Connect individuals with appropriate services
- Reduce unnecessary incarceration
- Improve outcomes for vulnerable individuals

Approach

The team focuses on:

- Crisis intervention
- Collaboration with behavioral health providers
- Connecting individuals to long-term resources



Mobile Field Force (MFF)

Provides coordinated law enforcement response during large-scale public safety events

- Large protests or demonstrations
- Major emergencies
- Civil disturbances
- Large public events

Key Focus

- Maintain public safety
- Protect constitutional rights
- Ensure safe and coordinated response



Leveraging Technology

- Body worn cameras for patrol and jail staff
- In car video expansion through grant funding
- Drone as First Responder (DFR) pilot program
- License plate reader technology
- Exploring AI assisted report writing



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Managing Washington County's Only Jail

- Built in **1998**
- Serves **every law enforcement agency in Washington County**
- Houses adults awaiting trial or serving sentences
- Provides medical care, behavioral health support, and safety
- **What happens after arrest**
 - Incident
 - Police Respond
 - Arrest
 - **Washington County Jail**
 - Courts & Justice System



Managing Today, Planning for the Future

TODAY

- Suicide prevention improvements, including jump barriers
- Reopening Pod 1 for detox and stabilization
- Electronic Home Detention program
- Jail investigations and human trafficking training
- Body worn cameras in the jail

LOOKING AHEAD

- Facility now over **28 years old**
- Continued population growth
- Long-term planning needed to maintain safe capacity
- Jail capacity study
- Jail expansion



Community Investment in Public Safety



*Thank you to
Washington County
voters*

In November 2025, voters demonstrated strong community support for public safety by approving the Public Safety Levy.

This investment supports:

- Washington County Jail operations
- Mental Health Response Team
- Criminal investigations
- Law enforcement resources
- Domestic violence and victim services
- Community supervision
- Prosecution

These services support every community in Washington County.



Wherever You Live, We Serve You

- Public safety in Washington County works because our agencies work together.
- City police departments provide local policing, and the Sheriff's Office provides countywide resources and infrastructure that support communities across the county.
- Together, we serve more than 614,000 community members





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