## CHIEF'S PREFACE

The East Palo Alto Police Department is dedicated to providing the East Palo Alto community with the best law enforcement service possible. Our Policy and Procedures manual serves as our guidelines for providing those services with respect and professionalism. This manual is updated when there are changes in the law, new policies are adopted or when the "best practices" portions of an existing policy is amended to keep the department current in providing quality services. Read this manual carefully and maintain a working knowledge of each policy as you are responsible for knowing the policies and procedures.