



The Youth Advisory Panel (YAP) of the Board of Police Commissioners in collaboration with community partners presents:

Young People & 21st Century Policing

2026 Youth and Police Chiefs Forum



Detroit Police
Chief Todd A. Bettison



Southfield Police
Chief Elvin Barren



Inkster Police
Chief Tamika Jenkins



State of Michigan Police
Col. James Grady

Detroit Area Police Chiefs Panel

Detroit Youth will host a panel of top Police Chiefs whose officers most often come in contact with young people in their daily lives.

YAP will lead a frank dialogue about:

- Police-youth community relations in Detroit and metro area
- Impact to police trust amid ICE deployments and other federal changes
- Experiences in police traffic stops as drivers and passengers
- Gun violence making home, school and social spaces feel unsafe

FREE Community Event

Saturday, April 18, 2026
11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

**WCCCD NW Campus
Lewis Education Center**
8200 West Outer Drive
Detroit, Michigan 48219

Refreshments provided

YOUTH Organizations: To reserve group seats, please email bopc@detroitmi.gov.

The BOPC YAP members range from 15-24 years old and are committed to understanding and improving interactions with police officers and expanding youth influence on civilian oversight of policing and public safety. **For more information call, 313-596-1830 or visit detroitmi.gov/bopc.**

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