The Berlin Police Department is proud to announce the creation of our new “Community Relations Team.” The team will be commanded by Lieutenant Shawn Solek and coordinated by Officer Brandon Lagueux. Team members include Officer Cathy Griffin, Officer Aimee Krzykowski, Officer Kevin Chaffee, and Officer Isabella Delgado.

The community relations team seeks to reinvigorate our neighborhood watch programs, strengthen our relationships within the community, improve communication concerning crime trends, and increase crime prevention and target hardening education. The team will continue to be involved with many of our long standing community events such as coffee with a cop, tours and open house events at police headquarters, stuff-a-cruiser, citizen’s police academies, and many others.

With the increase in property crimes in our residential neighborhoods, there is growing concern amongst Berlin residents. We share in that concern and want to collaborate with members of the community on the steps we are taking to combat the problem. Today many neighbors are reconnecting through social media groups and other electronic technologies. Starting a neighborhood watch is a great opportunity for our CRO’s to become immersed within them and our team is going to actively facilitate the creation of new ones. Our officers involvement will help keep residents informed and allow them to gather important information about their neighborhoods and keeping them safe.

Community members interested in starting a neighborhood watch or becoming a watch captain should contact us at crimewatch@berlinpd.org. Upon receipt an officer assigned to your area will contact you. Also if you meet any of our CRO’s in person they will be happy to address any questions you have about crime prevention or starting a neighborhood watch.

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Pictured from Left to Right: (Officer Isabella Delgado, Officer Cathy Griffin, Lieutenant Shawn Solek, Officer Brandon Lagueux, Officer Kevin Chaffee, & Officer Aimee Krzykowski).