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## Chief Peter Volkmann

**Chatham Police Department, New York  
Stuyvesant, NY**

Peter Volkmann began his law enforcement career in 1986 as a patrol officer for the Ossining, N.Y. Police Department. In 1994, he became a Clinical Director with the Hudson Valley Critical Incident Stress Management Team and provided psychological support services for police officers, firefighters, and E.M.S. workers. In 1997, he was elevated to President of the Hudson Valley Critical Incident Stress Management Team and retained the position for two years, later becoming the U.N. Representative for the International Critical Incident Stress Foundation (I.C.I.S.F.).

Upon retirement from the Ossining Police Department in 2006, Volkmann moved to Stuyvesant, New York, and became a firefighter with Stuyvesant Fire Company. He would go on to earn the Columbia County Firefighter of the Year Award in 2014. He was later a commander in the Stockport, New York, Police Department for four years before assuming his current role as the Chief of the Chatham Police Department. As Chief, he has built a reputation based upon community engagement. He has created policy initiatives including as the “Your Cop” program, which has police officers meet and stay in regular contact with residents of assigned neighborhoods, and the “Chatham Cares 4 U” (C.C.4.U.) Initiative, which provides transportation and treatment for residents suffering from opioid addiction.

Volkmann holds a B.S. in Criminal Justice from Mercy College, a M.S.W. from Fordham University, and is a certified E.M.T. He is an active member of the Stuyvesant, Volunteer Fire Company and has appeared in numerous media outlets including Dateline N.B.C., Discovery Channel, and M.S.N.B.C.

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