



# BROOME COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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### *Sheriff Akshar Announces New Sheriff's Smartphone App to Help Keep Broome Residents Informed*

(TOWN OF DICKINSON) Sheriff Fred Akshar announced the release of a new, free smartphone application developed specifically to help Broome County residents and visitors better connect with the Sheriff's Office and improve communication and transparency between the law enforcement agency and the community overall.

"Transparency and effective communication have been cornerstones of our administration's new vision for the Broome County Sheriff's Office from the very start," said Sheriff Fred Akshar. "This new, free app serves as a centralized and unprecedented informational resource to help keep our community up-to-date with the latest activity from the men and women at the Broome County Sheriff's Office like never before."

Community members will now be able to receive the latest public safety bulletins, alerts and updates from the Broome County Sheriff's Office directly on their smartphone. Users will also be able to submit crime tips, access the Most Wanted List and Sex Offender Registry, and provide direct feedback on interactions with Sheriff's Office deputies via the Compliments & Concerns feature.

The Broome County Correctional Facility features heavily in the app, making it easier for families and loved ones of incarcerated individuals to check inmate status, pay bail, make commissary deposits, make phone calls, send mail online and send photos.

"The new app helps centralize and streamline our Corrections Division's interactions with the public," said Sheriff Fred Akshar. "Families of incarcerated individuals are already dealing with a stressful situation, and anything we can do to make it easier for them to communicate and support individuals within the confines of the facility will no doubt have a positive impact for everyone involved."

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With a few finger taps, Broome County Sheriff's App users are able to access information from every division of the Broome County Sheriff's Office, including Civil, Corrections, Detectives, Highway Patrol, Identification/Pistol Permit/Training, Records, Fiscal and Community Policing. Users will be able to download Pistol Permit Application forms, recertify their pistol permits online and access motor vehicle accident reports.

"This new app will make accessing information and resources from the Sheriff's Office easier than ever before," said County Executive Jason Garnar. "In this digital world, technology like this is essential to keeping residents up to speed with the important work our Sheriff's Office does. I appreciate Sheriff Akshar's commitment to finding new ways to serve the people of Broome County."

"Broome County continues to enhance public safety by employing new strategies to help law enforcement communicate directly with residents," said Chairman & 5th District Broome County Legislator Dan J. Reynolds. "This application will provide a new way for the Sheriff's Office to connect with residents and share important information that will keep our community informed and our families safe."

"Over 80% of US residents own and use smartphones as their primary means of communication," Akshar concluded. "It only makes sense for the Broome County Sheriff's Office team to modernize how we communicate to better serve the people of our community."

The app is now available to download for free in the App Store and Google Play by searching "Broome County Sheriff, NY" or by [clicking here](#).

The Broome County Sheriff's Office app was developed by TheSheriffApp.com, a brand of OCV, LLC which specializes in mobile app development for sheriffs' offices and public safety organizations across the country.

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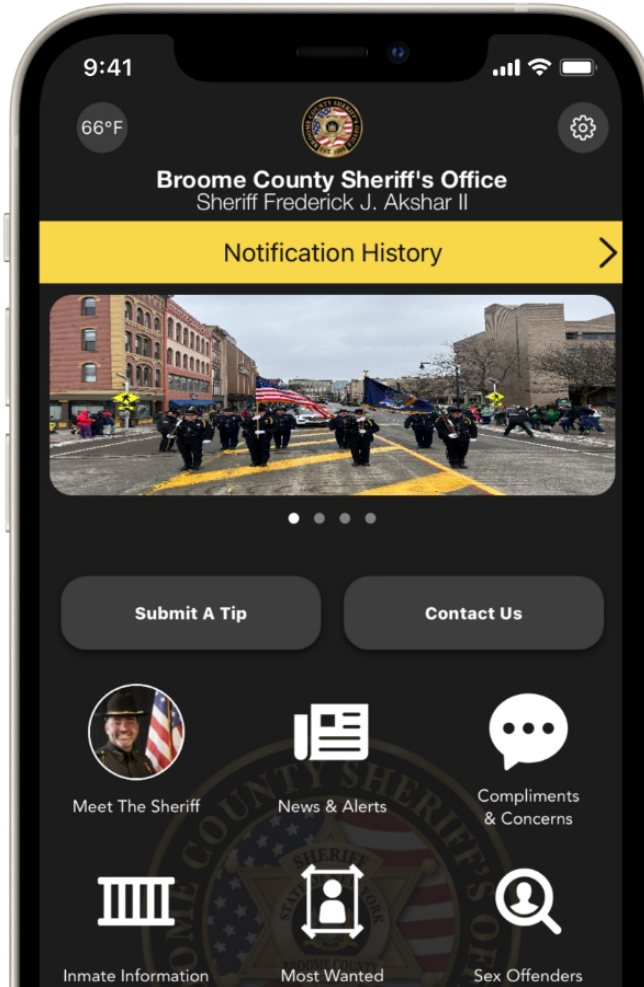
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