# Alaska Department of Public Safety **Key Objectives**

### **Recruit & Retain**

Fill all open positions, both commissioned and civilian, in the department with qualified employees. Ensure that we are retaining employees through superior support, excellent working conditions, and exceptional compensation and benefits.

### **Rural Alaska Law Enforcement & Safety**

Prioritize resources, personnel, and support to provide quality, full-service law enforcement to rural Alaska. Increase village patrols and the number of Troopers deployed to rural Alaska. Prioritize fire safety inspections and education in rural Alaska to prevent fire-related deaths.

### **Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault**

Work with our partner law enforcement and non-profit agencies to increase awareness of the plague of domestic violence and sexual assault in Alaska. Ensure that every instance reported to DPS is thoroughly investigated and prosecuted.

### **Village Public Safety Officer Program**

Revitalize the Village Public Safety Program by working with the employing non-profit organizations to increase the ranks of VPSOs in rural Alaska.

### **Commercial Fishing & Hunting**

Prioritize the investigation and enforcement of egregious commercial fishing and hunting violations across the state.

## **Narcotics & Major Investigations**

Ensure that narcotics and major crimes are thoroughly investigated throughout Alaska, and that those responsible are held accountable. Work with local, state, and federal partners to dismantle drug trafficking and bootlegging organizations.



Alaska Department of Public Safety Commissioner James Cockrell