



# Cloverdale Police Department

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## MESSAGE FROM POLICE CHIEF JASON FERGUSON

As your chief, I am deeply saddened and troubled by the horrific act of violence that resulted in the brutal and senseless death of Tyre Nichols at the hands of police officers. Across the nation, we find ourselves once again sickened at these senseless acts of police violence and abuse of power under the guise of law by those who are sworn to serve and protect their community.

The actions of these five police officers are contrary to the values, training, and protocols of our law enforcement profession and do not reflect all the meaningful work that the Cloverdale Police Officers, Dispatchers, and staff perform daily.

I want to reassure the Cloverdale Community that our agency has strict policies in place that prohibit the use of unreasonable force, require officers to immediately intervene if excessive force is attempted or used, require a duty to immediately report all use of force incidents, and provide immediate professional medical attention when needed.

The Cloverdale Police Department remains genuinely committed to our efforts to serve our community members, and provide services in a professional, fair and equitable manner, and with dignity and respect for all people and human life. We are also committed to holding officers accountable should they violate policies and laws that exist to protect the public.

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