



Coeur d'Alene Police Association

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RE: Endorsement

To the Citizens of Coeur d'Alene,

The Coeur d'Alene Police Association is proud to announce our endorsement of **Council Member Dan Gookin** in his candidacy for **Mayor of Coeur d'Alene** in the **2025 municipal election**.

Dan Gookin has served our city with distinction for over 14 years as a member of the City Council. Throughout his tenure, he has been a consistent advocate for transparency, accountability, and responsible governance. His commitment to public safety and support for law enforcement has been unwavering, and he has worked tirelessly to ensure that the Coeur d'Alene Police Department has the resources and leadership necessary to serve our community effectively.

Council Member Gookin understands the importance of maintaining a safe and vibrant city. He has publicly praised the efforts of Chief White and the CDA Police Department for helping reduce crime by over 80%, and he continues to champion policies that prioritize community safety, officer support, and open communication between city leadership and first responders.

As a candidate for mayor, Dan Gookin brings a clear vision for Coeur d'Alene's future—one that balances growth with preservation, encourages civic engagement, and ensures that public safety remains a top priority. His leadership style is direct, principled, and rooted in a deep respect for the people of this city.

We believe Dan Gookin is the right choice to lead Coeur d'Alene forward. His experience, integrity, and dedication to public service make him uniquely qualified to serve as our next mayor.

We encourage all residents to support **Dan Gookin** on **Election Day, November 4, 2025**, and help ensure that Coeur d'Alene remains a safe, strong, and united community.

Sincerely,

The Coeur d'Alene Police Association

POA President, Jesse Welch

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "J. Welch", is written over a horizontal line.