

Middlesex Sheriff's Office

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TRANSITION AUDIT BEGINS AT MIDDLESEX SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Middlesex Sheriff Peter J. Koutoujian and State Auditor Suzanne M. Bump today announced a transition audit of the Middlesex Sheriff's Office. Auditors began their review of the department's financial accounts on Monday, February 7, 2011.

"I am proud to work in partnership with Auditor Bump and her staff to elevate the level of public confidence in the Middlesex Sheriff's Office," Sheriff Koutoujian said. "By examining our department top to bottom, we will become more efficient and highlight the dedicated public safety services performed each day by the hard-working men and women of the Middlesex Sheriff's Office."

"Our auditors will determine whether expenditures are keeping pace with the department's budget and that all management systems have proper checks and balances," said Auditor Bump. "This will help Sheriff Koutoujian make informed decisions in the future management of his department."

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