

Robert Leftwich was appointed as Truckee's Chief of Police on January 6, 2017. Chief Leftwich has over twenty years experience serving in municipal California police departments.

Chief Leftwich started his career with the Concord Police Department. The majority of his career was spent working for the Santa Rosa Police Department until moving to Truckee in 2010. Before his appointment as Truckee Chief of Police, he was the Operations Captain for the Truckee Police Department where he oversaw all field operations and uniformed personnel.

As a police officer, he spent the majority of his career in investigations as a narcotics detective and task force agent. Chief Leftwich served on a Drug Enforcement Administration Task Force, a California Department of Justice Task Force and with local county and city narcotics investigation units. He also served as an instructor and training officer throughout his career.

Chief Leftwich has a Bachelor of Arts degree in Communications and Public Relations from the University of the Pacific. He holds California Peace Officer Standards and Training certificates Basic through Management. Chief Leftwich is a past member of the board of directors for Tahoe SAFE Alliance and was a member of the Truckee Tahoe Airport Community Advisory Team.

Chief Leftwich lives in Truckee with his wife, son and yellow lab "Tank." He enjoys snowboarding, paddle boarding and fly-fishing. He admits to being an adventure motorcycle enthusiast and private pilot but claims his wife regulates the amount of enthusiasm he is allowed to exhibit while riding or flying.