A. Policy

The Lakewood Police Department recognizes the importance of working cooperatively with other organizations. Through joint cooperative efforts, multiple agencies can often complete tasks that would not be possible through a singular effort. The department will continually evaluate these efforts as priorities change and needs arise.

B. Procedure

1. Upon identifying the need to organize or participate in a task force, the following areas need to be addressed:
   
a. Identifying the purpose of the investigative task force.
   
b. Defining the authority, responsibilities, and written agreements.
   
c. Establishing accountability.
   
d. Identifying resources available to the investigative task force.
   
e. Evaluating the results of the task force and their continued necessity.