Jane Castor

**Title:** Police Chief

**Company:** The City of Tampa

Jane Castor made history when she was appointed Tampa’s first female Police Chief. But that wasn’t her first accomplishment for the history books. Twenty-five years ago, she was the first female elected president of her police academy class. She has continued a leadership role throughout her career. She moved quickly through the ranks and has served in nearly every capacity within the Department from Patrol, Narcotics, Family Violence and Sex Crimes to Criminal Intelligence, the Field Training Program and Administration. As Chief, she commands a force of 1,000 police officers.

Chief Castor is one of the architects of the Tampa Police Department’s progressive crime fighting strategy that has reduced crime by 56% in the last seven years. Jane Castor has also led the Department of Homeland Security’s Tampa Bay Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI). In that role, Chief Castor became a pioneer in homeland security trends in local law enforcement. Chief Castor’s dedication to the community reaches beyond her role as Chief. She serves on the Board of Directors of the Hillsborough House of Hope and Trinity School for Children.

Chief Castor earned a Bachelor’s of Science in Criminology from University of Tampa where she attended on volleyball and basketball scholarships. She developed her natural leadership abilities on the hardwood where she served as captain of both teams. She has been inducted into the University of Tampa’s Athletic Hall of Fame. She also holds a Master’s of Public Administration from Troy State University. She is a graduate of the prestigious FBI National Academy. In 2010, Chief Castor was named Law Enforcement Executive of the Year by the National Association of Women Law Enforcement Executives.