

Gregory M. Willeford



Greg Willeford is a management consultant, educator, and owner of the Willeford Group. Greg has a sincere interest in helping organizations, groups, and individuals make the world a better place in the areas of social, and criminal justice.

In 2008, Greg retired as Deputy Superintendent of the Oregon State Police after completing over 29 years of public service within state government. In June 2008, Greg created *Willeford Group* with the mandate of supporting those individuals, groups, and organizations that are working to make the world a better place and to "be the change you wish to see in the world today."

From his many years of public service and leadership, Greg brings significant experience and talent to organizations in the areas of Strategic Management, Leadership Development, and Technical Research and Writing.

As the Deputy Superintendent, Greg was responsible for the overall day-to-day operations, executive policy and administration of the Oregon State Police in support of the Superintendent. During Greg's 29 years of public service he served in a variety of line, middle management, command and executive assignments. Furthermore, Greg has extensive intergovernmental and policy experience as he worked regularly with both Executive and Legislative branch agencies. Greg's experience includes working collaboratively with individuals and organizations at the local, county, state, and federal government levels.

Greg lives his life as a "life long learner" and actively maintains contemporary leadership and governing skills by his working service in state government, volunteer work, formal study, teaching, and active community involvement. Willeford is an Adjunct Lecturer at both Western Oregon University and Portland State University teaching on a variety of contemporary subjects related to public safety and policing. Greg also provides specialized and contemporary leadership development lectures and training for Oregon Executive Development Institute (OEDI) and other venues.

Greg is a graduate of Portland State University (PSU), earning a Bachelor of Science degree in Administration of Justice (2000) and recently (Summer 2007) completed the course work for an Executive Masters in Public Administration through the PSU Mark Hatfield School of Government. Greg is also a graduate of the University of Oregon Pacific Program (1997), FBI National Academy (1998), and Oregon Executive Development Institute (2000). Willeford serves on the OEDI governing board.

Willeford serves as the Executive Director of the 180 Degrees Foundation, a charitable organization with the mission of providing youth innovative social-emotional learning opportunities. Willeford also is a National Consultant for the 180 Degrees LLC.

Greg receives high remarks and recognition for his academic work and specialized lectures. In 2008, Greg received the Division of Public Administration, Hatfield School of Government 2007-2008 Award of Excellence in recognition of outstanding academic achievement from Portland State University.

Willeford is a native Oregonian and enjoys running, hiking, camping, teaching, research, writing and sailing. Willeford, his wife Yvette and their two teenage daughters reside in Salem, Oregon.