



Dear OACP Members,

As many of you know, a significant number of crimes involve a vehicle in some capacity. Having timely, reliable information can make all the difference in moving an investigation forward.

The OACP Executive Board continues to be impressed with the effectiveness of the CARFAX for Police investigative tools in supporting case work, identifying leads, and assisting agencies in bringing cases to resolution. One of our own board members, Chief Nick Troxel of the Tillamook Police Department, recently saw that value firsthand:

“CARFAX for Police gave us the red flags we needed to establish reasonable suspicion. Through our investigation, we were able to obtain a warrant and confirm VIN fraud. It was instrumental in recovering a stolen Tahoe and uncovering a larger pattern of suspicious vehicles.”

In this case, CARFAX for Police tools helped a smaller agency work more efficiently, collaborate across jurisdictions, and turn what could have been a lengthy, resource-intensive investigation into a timely recovery and broader discovery.

Across North America, more than 6,500 agencies rely on CARFAX for Police as part of their investigative toolkit, with officers accessing the system every day in support of their work. Here in Oregon, CARFAX has also demonstrated a strong commitment to our profession by supporting OACP initiatives, participating in our conferences, and providing training opportunities to agencies throughout the state.

Through the sharing of crash data, as permitted by HB 2155 (2025), Oregon law enforcement agencies have access to the full suite of CARFAX for Police tools at no cost. This includes investigative resources, traffic-related data, and crash report distribution capabilities that can enhance both efficiency and service to the public.

We recognize the value of partnerships that provide practical, real-world benefits to our agencies. CARFAX for Police is one such resource, and we encourage you to explore how it may support your operations.

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