

Chuck Perry served with the Tallahassee Police Department for over 27 years, initially hired as a dispatcher before becoming a law enforcement officer in 1989. He retired in 2015. Prior to his time at TPD, he spent four years as a sniper with the U.S. Marine Corps and earned his AA degree from Tallahassee Community College.

During his career, Perry was deeply committed to community-oriented policing, working in specialized units such as the Gang Squad, Housing Police, Problem-Oriented Policing Squad, Motorcycle Unit, Career Criminal Unit, and Vice and Narcotics Unit. He also served as a member of the Tactical Apprehension and Control Team, where he was a negotiator and EMT.

Additionally, he was a certified firearms and defensive tactics instructor, teaching courses like Martin Luther King Non-Violence Training and AARP's 55 Alive Mature Driving Program. Perry's dedication to service extended beyond his professional duties, as he mentored at-risk youth and provided faith-based support to inmates. Over the years, he received numerous accolades, including two Tallahassee Police Department Medals of Honor, two Bravery Awards, Officer of the Year, and the Florida Police Chiefs Association's Lee McGhee Police Officer of the Year award.