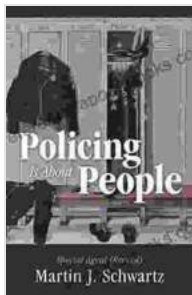


# Policing Is About People: A Transformative Approach to Law Enforcement

**By Martin Schwartz**

Policing is a complex and challenging profession. Officers are often asked to do too much with too little, and they are often forced to make difficult decisions in high-stress situations. As a result, it is not surprising that policing has become increasingly militarized and adversarial in recent years.



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*Policing Is About People* is a must-read for anyone who wants to understand the challenges facing law enforcement today. It is a book that offers a powerful vision for a better future, a future in which policing is about building relationships, not just enforcing laws.

## **About the Author**

Martin Schwartz is a former police commissioner of Baltimore, Maryland. He is the author of several books on policing, including *Policing Is About People* and *The Art of Policing*.

## **Reviews**

"*Policing Is About People* is a groundbreaking book that challenges traditional notions of law enforcement and offers a new, transformative approach that prioritizes human connection and community engagement. Schwartz's ideas are based on the latest research on procedural justice and restorative justice, and he provides real-world examples of how these principles can be applied to policing. This book is a must-read for anyone who wants to understand the challenges facing law enforcement today and who is looking for a better way to police our communities."

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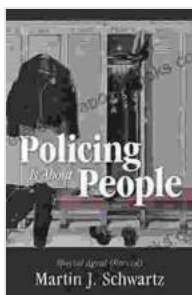
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**— John Pfaff, Professor of Law at Fordham University**

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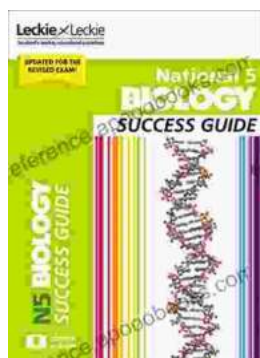
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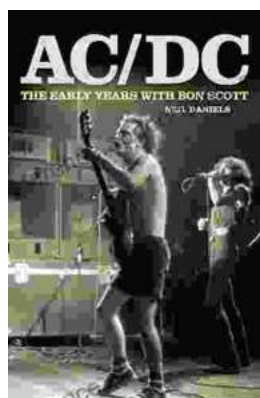
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