



The Town of Cuba Police Department K9 Unit consists of Patrolman Jim Galatio who has 23 years of law enforcement experience and K9 Inga, a 2 ½ year old black Labrador retriever along with Patrolman Aaron Wight and K-9 Keira, a 1 ½ year old German Shepard. Patrolman Galatio has handled explosive detection and narcotics detection K9's since 2001 when he was certified nationally through the Eastern States Working Dogs Association. Patrolman Wight and Patrolman Galatio are both nationally certified through the American Working Dogs Association in narcotics detection and explosive detection.

Patrolman Galatio and Patrolman Wight have completed a 16 week K9 handler certification course. Patrolman Galatio has also attended and completed the bomb technician and bomb recognition certification course through the New York State division of Criminal Justice Services. Through various business owners and residents in the Cuba community the Police Department has received generous donations and contributions towards enacting this K9 Unit. The K9 unit will allow the Police Department to work with various businesses and our school district and other agencies in an effort to maintain a greater form of public safety. In light of the recent Sandy Hook Elementary school shootings the Cuba Police Department is taking precautionary measures to ensure that our schools and businesses are safe places to work and to foster a great learning environment. Explosive Detection K9's can locate various substances such as explosive materials, firearms, gun powder residue. The narcotics detection K-9 will help us combat the growing drug issues that we all face across our nation. If any businesses or community groups are interested in having Officer Galatio or Officer Wight and Inga or Keira perform a demo please contact the Cuba Police Department at 585-968-1666.



