§ 2799-ggg-1. Authority police force. The authority is hereby authorized and empowered to provide and maintain an authority police department and a uniformed authority police force. Each member of such uniformed police force shall be a "police officer" as that term is defined in paragraph (e) of subdivision thirty-four of section 1.20 of the criminal procedure law, with all of the powers of such police officers thereunder and subject to the same jurisdictional provisions on the exercise of that power as set forth in such law. The geographical area of employment of such police officers for the purposes of the criminal procedure law shall be limited to the buildings and grounds of the authority. Such department and force shall have the power, in and about any or all of the facilities owned, occupied and/or operated by the authority, to enforce and prevent violation of all laws. Nothing herein shall confer upon the authority police force or upon their collective negotiations representatives exclusive jurisdiction or claim over the exercise of police power or security work on behalf of the authority. Nothing herein shall limit the authority from continuing to rely on local police for police services. However, traditional police functions previously performed by the city of Syracuse police department shall continue to be performed by the authority police force.