

Culver City Police Department PRESS RELEASE

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CCPD ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS *For Citizen's Police Academy*

The Culver City Police Department is currently accepting applications for its first session of the *Citizen's Police Academy*.

The Culver City Police Department *Citizen's Police Academy* is designed to educate residents and local citizens on the various aspects of law enforcement. It is for those interested in learning more about how the Culver City Police Department functions and operates. There are many misconceptions about police duties and the Academy will help dispel these notions and allow community members a closer look at their police department.

The goal of the program is to open the lines of communication and encourage interaction between our police officers and the community. Graduates of the Academy will acquire a solid foundation of public safety information to share with others in the community.

The *Citizen's Police Academy* is not intended to train the participants to be police officers, but rather it is designed for those interested in a deeper understanding of the various challenges and decisions that a Culver City Police Officer deals with on a daily basis.

The Academy requires a 10-week commitment, as the session will meet Tuesday evenings from 6:00 – 9:00 PM. This includes the opportunity to attend a patrol ride-along. The course curriculum will include the Criminal Justice System, Development of a Police Officer, Tactical Options, Traffic Enforcement, Youth Services, Prevention and Assistance, Special Responses, Investigations and Community Preparedness.

Persons selected to attend the Citizen's Academy will be notified by mail and/or phone at least two weeks prior to the beginning of classes. The selection process requires a limited background check due to security concerns and the sensitive nature of some of the material. All applications will be retained and considered for future classes.

For an application please contact Lt. Carlos Reynosa at (310) 253-6258.

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