

Press Release

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Citizens Police Academy **Spring 2017**

The Greenwich Police Department is accepting applications for the 2017 Citizen's Police Academy Spring Session. The 7-week program will commence on Tuesday, April 25, 2017 and will meet twice a week 6:30-9:00 p.m. at the Greenwich Police Department on Tuesday and Thursday. One Saturday class will also be held from *9:00am. – 12:00 p.m. on May 20, 2017. Graduation will be held on Tuesday June 13, 2017. Completed applications and a motor vehicle operator's license photocopy must be received at the Greenwich Police Department Community Impact Section no later than Thursday April 20, 2017.

The Citizen's Police Academy provides *Greenwich Residents* with a first-hand overview of both law enforcement and community-related functions of their Police Department. Topics of instruction include:

Introduction to Policing

Use of Force

Patrol Operations

Motor Vehicle Stops/DUI

Special Response Unit

Crime Scenes (CSI)

Community Impact Section

Scams/Fraud

Crime Prevention

Narcotics Investigations

Domestic Violence Investigations

Criminal Investigations/Special Victims

911 Awareness

Court Procedures/After the Arrest

Instructors for the program are highly-trained and experienced Greenwich Police Officers. In addition to participating in role-playing exercises, attendees will accompany on-duty police personnel within the Marine Division and Patrol. Ride-a-longs are scheduled beyond regular class times. A demonstration at the Police Firing Range will allow recruits to participate in mock scenarios where an officer may or may not have to fire their weapon.

Applicants must be a Greenwich resident and 18 years of age or older. There is no fee for the program; however, the Department requests that applicants be committed to the full seven-week program. The class size is limited to 40 students. Due to the high demand for this course, qualified applicants will be subject to a lottery drawing to determine the final class roster.

A criminal history background check will be performed on all applicants. Accepted recruits will be contacted upon completion of the background check.

Applicants will attend classes as follows:

April 25,27, May 2,4,9,11,16,20,23,25,30, June 1,6,8 and 13.

Applications may be obtained in person at the Greenwich Police Department front desk, Greenwich Town Hall reception desk, or downloaded from the Town of Greenwich web site by visiting www.greenwichct.org.

Any questions should be directed to the Greenwich Police Department Community Impact Section. The Session Coordinator is Sgt. John Thorne.