



Citizens'



Police

Academy

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Individuals who apply for the Citizens' Police Academy at NO COST must be over eighteen (18) years of age, and must reside in the City of Harvard. Applicants will be subject to a very minimal background check, and will be informed in writing or phone as to whether they have been accepted, denied, or placed on a waiting list for a future class.

CITIZENS' POLICE ACADEMY



Applications can be obtained at the Police Department, City Hall, or online at the city the city website.

www.cityofharvard.org/police

Completed Citizen Police Academy Applications can be turned into the Harvard Police Department at:

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What Subjects are covered?

- Communications/Dispatch
- Crime Prevention
- Criminal Law/Domestic Violence
- *LIVE* Virtual Reality Police Training Simulator
- Use of Force/Defensive Tactics
- Accident Investigations
- Patrol Procedures/Traffic Stops
- Drug/DUI Enforcement
- Investigations and Crime Scene ET
- Jail Procedures/Court System
- Ride Along (*optional*)





Citizen's Academy Overview

The Harvard Police Department Citizens' Police Academy provides a mechanism for educating the public about the criminal justice system and ways to resist crime. The overall goals are to gain support for police work, explain the operations of police agencies and encourage private citizens to undertake appropriate security measures. Harvard Police personnel conduct the classes which are coordinated by the Community Relations Officer.

This is an opportunity for citizens to gain insight into the difficult tasks of police officers, and provides responsible citizens with comprehensive knowledge of police operations, practices, and objectives. Participants in the Academy learn how they can help to keep the community crime-free, and become resources for improved community/police involvement.

Mission Statement

The Mission of the Harvard Police Department is to create a professional cooperative environment with the community to improve the quality of life for those we serve and protect by embracing the City of Harvard motto: "Winning with Teamwork."

Community

COOPERATION

We recognize that we must join together within the Department and the Community for the common benefit.

HONESTY

We are truthful and open in our interactions with each other and with members of our community.

TEAMWORK

We work together within the Department and with members of our community to achieve our goals, making use of diverse skills, abilities, roles and views.

IMPARTIALITY

We will view each incident without bias and treat all with fairness. We will treat people as we would like to be treated.

POSITIVE ATTITUDE

We strive to bring positive and constructive influences to our interactions with each other and our community.

ENHANCING THE QUALITY OF LIFE

We strive to ensure that all incidents no matter how insignificant, will be resolved for the betterment of all.

INTEGRITY

We are honorable, trustworthy, and strive to do what is right.

RESPECT

We value ourselves, each other and members of our community; showing understanding and appreciation for our similarities and differences.

RELIABILITY

We are conscientious, professional, responsible, and dependable in our dealings with each other

Message from the Chief

Have you ever wondered how a Harvard Police Officer is trained?

At the Citizens' Police Academy, you will have the opportunity to see and hear first-hand what it takes before they can wear the uniform of the Harvard Police Department.

Your instructors will be real police officers. They will take you through an accelerated overview of the various operations of the Harvard Police Department.

Its our goal to increase understanding of police work and to develop effective police community partnership.

Join us, and be a part of this important effort. Learn what it is like to be a police officer.

The only investment on your part is two hours of your time for 10 weeks. What you'll learn in turn will not only benefit you, but if shared with your family, friends, neighbors and coworkers, could have a significant impact on police/community relations.

