



## Arlington County Citizen's Police Academy



**Together we can make a difference**

In 1998, Arlington County joined a growing number of communities nationwide who were switching to Community Policing, a philosophy and practice that seeks to involve all concerned citizens in the safety and welfare of their community. The Arlington County Citizen's Police Academy is a product of this philosophy.

The Citizen's Police Academy was designed to create a better understanding and communication between citizens and the police through education. The intent of the Citizens' Police Academy is to make citizens aware of how the Arlington County Police Department operates and its role in the community. Citizens of Arlington County are given an opportunity to increase their understanding of how police officers are trained and to experience the actual working environment of a police officer.

The Citizen's Police Academy is a two-way education process. Academy participants, who often have had limited exposure to the inner workings of a Police Department, will now be presented with the opportunity to voice their concerns and questions about how the Arlington County Police Department functions. The Department will have an opportunity to get an understanding of how citizens feel about their Police Department.

The Police Department's 22nd Citizen's Police Academy (CPA) will start on September 6, 2018. The CPA will consist of 12 sessions that will meet on Thursdays, from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., at police headquarters, 1425 North Courthouse Road, Arlington, Virginia. This location is accessible from the Courthouse Metro stop on the Orange line. There is also the possibility that one session will meet on a Saturday at an off-site location.

Topics that will be covered in the Citizen's Police Academy include: police hiring, legal considerations, use of force, vehicle operations, community engagement, K9, SWAT, mental health crisis intervention and others.

**Please have your application submitted no later than July 6th to be considered for the Citizen's Police Academy.**

For more information please contact:

**Arlington County Police Department  
Training & Career Development Unit**  
1425 N. Courthouse Road  
Arlington, VA 22201  
Phone: 703.228.4247  
Fax: 703.228.4126

Email: [ACPDTraining@arlingtonva.us](mailto:ACPDTraining@arlingtonva.us)

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## Application for Admission

(Please print or type)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
First Middle Initial Last

\*\*\*Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Race: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ (Applicants must be 18 years or older) Shirt Size \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Apt. # City State Zip

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

In which neighborhood/District do you reside/work? \_\_\_\_\_

Why do you wish to participate in the Citizen's Academy? (use additional page if needed)

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Referred by: \_\_\_\_\_

### A CRIMINAL HISTORY CHECK MUST BE CONDUCTED ON EACH APPLICANT

\*\*\*If you provide a Social Security Number the Police Department will perform the criminal history check. If you do not wish to provide your Social Security number, please go to:

<https://www.fbi.gov/services/cjis/identity-history-summary-checks>

Have the FBI send your criminal history results to us. You are responsible for any fees and return times may be lengthy.

**ATTENDEES ARE NOT PERMITTED TO CARRY WEAPONS or BE CONVICTED OF A FELONY.**

#### Participants are required to:

- Wear appropriate business attire on the first day of class
- Conduct themselves in a professional manner at all times
- Attend at least 10 out of 12 sessions to receive a graduation certificate.

Accepted participants will be notified by phone or email. Class size is limited and every effort will be made to maintain a balanced enrollment, reflecting the total community.

Mail or email completed applications to: Arlington County Police Department  
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**Background Questionnaire & Certification**

**All questions must be answered. (Please print or type)**

1. Have you ever been arrested for an offense other than a traffic violation?	
2. If yes to #1, then please state where, when and describe the circumstances and outcome. (use additional sheet if necessary)	
<p>I, _____, hereby certify that there are no willful misrepresentations, omissions or falsifications in the answers and information I provided in my Arlington County Police Department Citizen's Police Academy Application and Background Questionnaire. I understand that any omission or false statement in those documents shall be sufficient cause for rejection or dismissal from any Department program.</p> <p>I further understand that the Arlington County Police Department will conduct a background check on each applicant. I hereby authorize the Arlington County Police Department to conduct an examination of the records available to them, including a criminal history check, for the purpose of evaluating my application.</p>	
Signature:	Date: