

City of Hiram Police Department

Citizens Police Academy

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“Understanding through Education”

Hiram Police Department

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The City of Hiram Police Department is now accepting applications for its Citizens Police Academy.

The Citizens Police Academy is a ten-week program designed to provide a unique glimpse “behind the badge.” The Academy offers the citizens a better understanding of the City of Hiram Police Department and a greater awareness of the daily challenges faced by its officers.

Attendees will learn about departmental resources and programs and, more importantly, the men and women who comprise the City of Hiram Police Department. Classes will be a combination of lectures and interactive activities, with topics such as 911 communications, firearm use and safety, crime prevention, crime scene investigation and internal affairs and more.

The Citizens Police Academy is usually held on Thursday evenings. Classes will meet from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Class will be held at the City of Hiram Training Room. Firearms and Use of Force training is scheduled on a Saturday and location to be determined.

Participation in the program is free. Applicants are required to be 21 years of age and must provide their own transportation to and from training. Acceptance into the program is subject to review of the applicant’s criminal record and police contact history.

For more information, please call 770-943-3087 EXT 2015.

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Frequently Asked Questions:

What is the purpose of conducting a citizen's police Academy?

The Academy gives the public a glimpse of how the Police Department works and its policies and procedures, through a series of classes involving instruction by police personnel.

What is the City of Hiram's Police Department's incentive for starting a Citizen Police Academy?

As the public learns more about the police department, fewer fears and misconceptions will exist. Many conflicts are caused simply by lack of understanding.

Who attends the Citizens Police Academy?

Students are 18 years of age and older. Students have been homemakers, students, retirees, teachers, neighborhood groups and professionals.

How do you apply?

You must be at least 18 years old and live or work in the City of Hiram area. Complete the Citizens Police Academy application and mail it to the address below. Acceptance into the program is subject to review of the applicant's criminal record and police contact history.

If you have any questions or need more information, email Lt. Brian Acree at bacree@hiram-ga.gov

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Attn: Lieutenant Brian Acree



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Citizens Police Academy Application

*Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

City/Zip: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Sex: Male Female Race: _____ Hiram Employee: yes no

E-mail Address: _____ SS#: _____

Drivers License#: _____ State: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Occupation: _____

Emergency Contact: _____

Community Group Affiliation (if any): _____

Why do you wish to attend the Citizen's Police Academy? _____

How did you hear about the Citizen's Police Academy? _____

List two references:

1. _____ Phone Number: _____

2. _____ Phone Number: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please mail completed form to: Lieutenant Brian Acree, Coordinator

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Questions call 770-943-3087 ext. 2015 or fax application to: 770-439-1190

Or e-mail: bacree@hiram-ga.gov

***by filling out the information above, you are giving the City of Hiram Police Department permission to check your criminal history and do a background check.**