

A message from the Police Chief

Ever wonder how a Dallas Police officer is trained?

At the Citizen Police Academy, you will have the opportunity to see and hear first-hand the overwhelming curriculum recruits must master before they can wear the uniform of the Dallas Police department.

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

It's our goal to increase understanding of police work and to develop effective police/community partnerships.

Join us, and be part of this important effort.

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

What is the Citizen Police Academy?

The Citizen Police Academy meets once a week for 10 weeks at the police academy. Classes consist of an overview of the Dallas Police Department, patrol functions, tour of the Communications Division, demonstration and ride on vehicle training course, internal affairs, family violence, DWI enforcement procedures, explanation of the use of deadly force, pursuit policies, crime prevention, personal safety and crime scene investigation techniques.

Purpose

The Citizen Police Academy shows citizens how the Dallas Police Department operates. We hope a better understanding of how your police department works will improve the relationship between citizens and officers.

Who May Attend?

You must be at least 21 years of age and live or work in the City of Dallas and pass a background check.

Those selected to attend are expected to participate in at least 70% of the sessions. **The academy is free!**

Please complete and send or fax the application on the reverse side of this brochure to:

DALLAS POLICE DEPARTMENT

In-Service Training Unit

5610 Red Bird Center Dr #300

Dallas, Texas 75237

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If an applicant has a criminal history that is to such an extent as to raise a concern by any member of the Dallas Police Department, it will be determined by the Training Program Coordinator (SGT) if it is in the best interest of the Dallas Police Department to admit that applicant to ANY volunteer program. The decision of the Program Administrator is appealable only to the Lieutenant over the Training Unit whose decision will be final.

Alumni Association

Graduates of the Citizens Police Academy have formed an Alumni Association which is open to all past and future graduates have formed an Alumni Association which is open to all past and future graduates. The alums continue to work with the Dallas Police Department and the citizens to enhance community relations.

**Dallas Police
Department**
Citizen Police Academy



**A Program of Citizens
and Police Working
Together**





**DALLAS POLICE DEPARTMENT
CITIZEN POLICE ACADEMY ENROLLMENT APPLICATION
DEMOGRAPHIC**

Name: _____ **DOB:** _____ **Gender:** _____
Address: _____ **Home #:** _____ **Cell #:** _____
City: _____ **Zip:** _____ **DL #:** _____
Last Four of SSN# _____
Email address _____

EMPLOYMENT

Name of Employer: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ **Zip:** _____ **Business #:** _____

BACKGROUND

How did you hear about the Citizen Police Academy?

What do you expect to gain after going through this course? Explain briefly.

What are your hobbies or special interests?

Have you ever been arrested for, convicted of, or cited for an offense other than a traffic violation?

Yes No If yes, on a separate sheet of paper, explain dates, charges, places, and actions taken.

Classes are held three (3) times a year. Please indicate the month you would be interested in attending.



Please advise of any changes in home/work address, home/work numbers, etc, as to be able to reach you for the actual beginning date of your class.

CERTIFICATION & SIGNATURE

Please review your answers carefully and read the statement below before signing this application.

I hereby certify that there are no willful misrepresentations, omissions, or falsifications in the foregoing statement and answers to questions. I understand that any omission or false statement on this application shall be sufficient cause for rejection of enrollment or dismissal from the Dallas Police Department Citizen Police Academy. I understand that all participation in this program is not to train citizens to be police officers. Rather, the goal and purpose of this program is to educate citizens regarding the purpose, rationale and context of police procedures. I acknowledge that as part of acceptance to this program, I will be required to attend at least 70% of the classes or 7 out of 10. Failure to attend will be cause for dismissal from graduating. I will abide by all rules and regulations set forth by the Dallas Police Department and the City of Dallas, and provide my own transportation. I further understand that the Dallas Police Department will be conducting a thorough background investigation that may include, but not be limited to, fingerprinting, any criminal history, employment history and personal references.

Applicant's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____