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# Gus George Law Enforcement Academy Offering Paid Cadet Positions

Paid cadet positions are now available for the upcoming fall Basic Peace Officer Course.

**(FORT BEND COUNTY, TX)** – The Fort Bend County Sheriff's Office is proud to announce that the Gus George Law Enforcement Academy is now offering **PAID** cadet positions! Cadets who qualify will earn an hourly rate of \$22.50/hour to attend the Basic Peace Officer Course, tuition will be waived, and uniforms will be provided. Upon graduation, the paid cadets will receive field training and an assignment within the Sheriff's Office. Limited openings are available for paid cadets who meet qualification criteria.

During the course, cadets receive training in defensive tactics, firearms proficiency, patrol rifle, active shooter response, emergency driving, physical fitness, first aid, criminal investigations and crime scene procedures, among other law enforcement topics.

The full-time Basic Peace Officer Course will begin August 7, 2023. Graduation will be held January 26, 2024. Anyone who graduates from the academy will have the opportunity to apply for full-time positions within the Sheriff's Office.

The Gus George Law Enforcement Academy will be hosting a weekend test date on Saturday, April 22, 2023. The academy is located at 1521 Eugene Heimann Circle Richmond, Texas. Testing is also held during the week, every other Thursday at various times. Click on the link below to see all available dates and times. Testing requirements include passing the Nelson Denny as well as the 1.5-mile run.

## To register for a test date, scan the QR code or visit,

https://www.gusgeorgelawenforcementacademy.org/basic-peace-officer-course/

The deadline to test for the fall course is June 30, 2023. For questions, please call 281-341-4780 or email, donna.silewicz@fortbendcountytx.gov.

"Being in law enforcement takes a special kind of person," said Sheriff Eric Fagan. "Here in Fort Bend, we need individuals who are ready to make a difference in the community and join our team."

# BASIC PEACE OFFICER COURSE CLASS #46 REGISTRATION



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## **About the Fort Bend County Sheriff's Office**

The Fort Bend County Sheriff's Office was founded in 1837 and is the largest law enforcement agency in Fort Bend County—the most diverse county in Texas. The FBCSO has over 800 employees, including 565 sworn peace officers and 25 reserve deputies dedicated to protecting and serving nearly 900,000 Fort Bend County residents. Among the 10 fastest-growing counties in the nation, Fort Bend covers 885 square miles and includes 21 unincorporated communities.

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