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Fort Bend County Sheriff's Office Accepting Applications for the Citizens Police Academy Fall Semester

(FORT BEND COUNTY, TX) – The Fort Bend County Sheriff's Office is now accepting applications for the Citizens Police Academy scheduled to begin in the fall of 2023. Online registration begins August 7 and ends on August 25, 2023. The program will accept 35 qualified participants.

The 11-week program is free of charge and will be held at the Gus George Law Enforcement Academy, located at 1521 Eugene Heimann Circle, Richmond, Texas, directly across the street from the Fort Bend County Sheriff's Office Detention Center. The program consists of two-hour sessions held on consecutive Thursdays from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. The first session will begin on August 31, 2023, and conclude on November 9, 2023.

The Citizens Police Academy is designed for members of the community seeking to learn about law enforcement as well as individuals who are considering a career in the field.

The focus of the program is to provide an overview of the criminal justice system and various functions of the Sheriff's Office through classroom presentations and practical hands-on experience.

Participants will have an opportunity to tour the Sheriff's Office, as well as learn about the inner workings of each division, including Patrol, Criminal Investigations, Detention, 9-1-1 Emergency Communications Center, Law Enforcement Training, and Narcotics.

Qualified applicants must be 18 years of age and must not have a criminal arrest record. Persons interested in enrolling in the Citizens Police Academy may register online using the following link.

FBCSO Citizens Police Academy

Email <u>socp@fortbendcountytx.gov</u> for additional information or contact the FBCSO Crime Prevention deputies at 281-238-1536.





About the Fort Bend County Sheriff's Office

The Fort Bend County Sheriff's Office was founded in 1837 and is the largest and most diverse law enforcement agency in Fort Bend County. The Sheriff's Office has 917 employees, including 615 sworn peace officers and 22 reserve volunteer 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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