What is the Citizen Academy?

The Citizen Academy is designed to foster a better understanding about law enforcement and how Montgomery County police officers work with the community to prevent, detect and deter crime.

The attendees are provided with an inside look into the operations, investigations and policies of the department through presentations, displays and hands on training.

The classes in law enforcement provide a way to educate and develop positive relations with the citizens. It is an ongoing process to build community cooperation, understanding, and good will.



What will I learn about?

- Canine Demonstration
- Child Abuse Investigations
- Conflict Negotiations/SWAT
- Crime Lab and Forensic Services
- Crime Prevention
- Criminal Law/Search & Seizure
- Drug Investigations
- DUI/Underage Drinking
- Emergency Communications Center
- Family Justice Center
- Internal Affairs Division
- Major Crimes
- Maryland Traffic Law
- Mental Illness
- Scams and Fraud
- Use of Force Decision Making

Optional tours/classes:

- CPR Class
- Mont. Co. Correctional Facility

Students are also encouraged to participate in the Department's Ride-Along Program.

Upon completion of the 15 weeks students are encouraged to continue their education by joining the Montgomery County Citizen Academy Alumni Association.

Who can participate?

The Citizen Academy is open to anyone 18 years of age or older who either lives or works in Montgomery County. All applicants will be subjected to a background check.

Cost

FREE! The only cost to participants is their time. Participants are required to attend at least 12 of the 15 classes to be eligible for graduation.

Where

The Citizen Academy is held at the:

Public Safety Training Academy 8751 Snouffer School Road Gaithersburg, Maryland 20879

When

Classes are offered one night a week from 7:00 - 9:30 p.m. for 15 consecutive weeks. Three sessions are offered per year.

How

If interested in applying, fill out the application on the back and return it to the listed address.

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Application for the Citizen Academy

Name:		Applicants will be notified by mail or email of their acceptance. Please notify our office if you have any special needs which might prevent you from attending Citizen Academy.	
Address: Phone: Home: Cell:		Please Return To: MCPD Citizen Academy 8751 Snouffer School Road	
Email:		Gaithersburg, Maryland 20879 (240)773-6900	
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