



VISALIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

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The Visalia Police Department is now accepting applications for the Citizen's Police Academy.

The Citizen's Police Academy is a ten week course designed to acquaint the public with the inner workings of the Visalia Police Department. The Citizen's Police Academy is open to anyone who meets the participation requirements and successfully goes through the screening process.

All instructors are Visalia Police Department personnel trained in various areas such as Police Ethics, Crime Scene Investigation, Homicide & Burglary Investigation, K-9, SWAT, Bomb Unit, Patrol Procedures, Traffic & DUI procedures, Gang & Narcotics Enforcement, and Crime Prevention.

For those interested in being eligible to be a "Volunteer in Police Service" (VIPS) at the end of the ten weeks, successful completion of the Citizen's Police Academy will serve as a prerequisite.

Upon successful completion of this course and a background investigation, participants will have the option to be sworn in as a VIPS, ready to assist in essential non-hazardous duties. Some of these duties will include administrative and office functions and field operations such as community events, parades, traffic control, and DUI checkpoints.

There will be an informational meeting open to interested community members on Tuesday March 3, 2020 at 6:00 P.M. at City Hall Council Chambers 707 W. Acequia. Classes are scheduled to begin in May.

Applications are available through March 23, 2020 online at:

<https://agency.governmentjobs.com/visalia/default.cfm>

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