**VOORHEES RESIDENTS ARE INVITED TO SEE WHAT IT’S LIKE TO BE A POLICE OFFICER**

Voorhees, NJ (February 15, 2016): The Voorhees Police Department is excited to announce our 1st Citizen Police Academy which will begin on Tuesday, March 22, 2016 and meet for ten Tuesdays from 7:00PM-9:00PM, concluding in May (final dates TBA). The training will take place at our Police Headquarters and several off-site locations. This course will offer our residents an inside exclusive look at the training and behind the scenes activities that make the Voorhees Police Department function in a professional, effective, and efficient manner on a daily basis.

“This is yet another program that we feel will expand our community-based efforts.  It will continue to keep open lines of communication and create a better understanding for the community about police officer operations, specifically here in Voorhees,” said Voorhees Police Chief Lou Bordi.

The course will cover:

* Firearms Simulator Training
* Crime Scene Investigation/Mock Crime Scene
* A tour of our Police Headquarters
* Patrol/Investigations Bureaus
* K-9 Unit demonstrations and meet and greet with our police dogs
* Police use of force/ Police Stress
* Central Communications Center (911) Tour
* Traffic Unit/mock car stops
* Internal Affairs/Body Worn Cameras
* Community Affairs/School Safety/Domestic Violence

This course will host 30 Voorhees residents, ages 18 and over. Applicants will be required to successfully pass a background examination including warrants check, NCIC, driver’s license checks, and NJ and Interstate Criminal History checks. Those who are accepted will be notified via email. Selected applicants will also need to complete a waiver of liability form.

To apply to the Voorhees Police Citizen Academy visit our website at:

http://www.vtpd.com/about-us/community-collaboration/citizen-police-academy/

**The deadline for applications is Friday, March 4, 2016 at noon.**

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