

## Vision Statement

To be a recognized leader in our community by providing the highest level of customer service.

## Core Values

Honesty

Teamwork

Integrity

Professionalism

Respect



## *The Shelby Police Department*



## Citizens Police Academy

Mission of the Shelby Police  
Department

To provide our citizens & guests a safe environment in which to live and work, through a professional delivery of service, with a honest and fair police professional who exhibits the highest standards of professionalism.



The Shelby Police Department is an  
Internationally Accredited Law Enforcement  
Agency

### **Shelby Police Department**

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## **Enroll in the Citizens Police Academy and see how a real “small town” police department operates...**

### **What is a Citizens Police Academy?**

Citizens Police Academy is an informative learning process that provides an opportunity for citizens to receive eight weeks of both classroom and field instruction regarding the various responsibilities facing officers. Citizen Police Academy attendees are made aware of the procedures and techniques by officers in a variety of scenarios together with the rationale and justification in support of those procedures and techniques. Participants will have the opportunity to meet with the Chief of Police and police personnel, at which time participants are encouraged to ask questions and express their concerns.

### **What will I, as a citizen, learn in a Citizens Police Academy?**

Citizens Police Academy is comprised of 16 hours of both classroom and field instruction covering a variety of responsibilities facing officers.

Topics include:

Recruitment/Selection, Training, Search Seizure/Arrest Processing, Narcotics/Types/Abuse, Traffic Accident Investigations, Tactical and Negotiations, Criminal Investigations, Crime Scene,

Defensive Tactics/Fire Arms, Community Policing, and Communications.

### **How does a citizen apply for the Citizens Police Academy?**

Simply come to the Shelby Police Department and ask for an application form at the information window located in the front lobby or pick one up the Shelby Police Sub-station located inside the Cleveland Mall beside Radio Shack.

### **Will there be any requirements to attend the Citizens Police Academy?**

Yes, there will be requirements that each applicant must meet. The requirements will be:

1. You must be at least 18 years of age.
2. Live, work, or attend school in Shelby, N.C.
3. No felony convictions.
4. No misdemeanor arrest within the past three years.
5. Participants are urged to do a ride-along with an officer.

**Habla Espanol - Spanish  
Translators will be available**

### **When and where will the Citizens Police Academy be held?**

The Citizens Police Academy will be held at Shelby Utilities Operation Center 824 W. Grover Street Shelby. The classes will be held on Thursdays from 6:00 p.m. through 8:00 p.m. on the following dates:

February 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, and 25<sup>th</sup>

March 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, and 25<sup>th</sup>, 2010

There will be no charge to attend the Citizens Police Academy. If you have any questions concerning the Citizens Police Academy contact Lt. Rick Stafford at 704-482-4899.

**...the concept of the Citizens Police Academy started in 1977 in England and was implemented that same year to allow anxious citizens to see the functions, operations, and organization of the Police system in England. This same concept was adopted in the United States in 1985 beginning with Orlando, Florida Police Department.**

