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Fredericksburg Police Department to Host Accreditation Assessment

Since 2009, the Fredericksburg Police Department has been a nationally accredited law enforcement agency through the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA.) In 2015, the Department was awarded Advanced Accreditation, which is the highest rating a law enforcement agency can obtain from CALEA and sets the benchmark for public safety professionalism. CALEA requires agencies to comply with state-of-the-art standards in four areas: policy and procedures, administration, operations, and support services.

As part of the accreditation process, the Fredericksburg Police Department has its on-site assessment by CALEA assessors from Sunday, August 11th to Wednesday, August 14th. The on-site assessment is held every four years to validate the Department is adhering to CALEA standards.

As part of the on-site assessment, agency personnel and members of the community are invited to offer comments at a public information session on Tuesday, August 13 starting at 6 p.m. on the third floor of 601 Caroline St. Fredericksburg, VA 22401.

Agency employees and the public are also invited to offer comments by calling (540) 371-4126 on Tuesday, August 13 between the hours of 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. Comments will be taken by the assessment team.

Telephone comments as well as appearances at the public information session are limited to 10 minutes and must address the agency's ability to comply with CALEA standards. Please contact Captain Patrick Reed at (540) 654-5710 to request a copy of the standards.

If you would like to submit written comments about the Fredericksburg Police Department's ability to meet the CALEA standards for accreditation, you can send an e-mail to calea@calea.org or write to:

Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc.
13575 Heathcote Boulevard, Suite 320
Gainesville, Virginia 20155

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