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CALEA® Accreditation Assessment Team Invites Public Comments

Department's Training Academy seeking re-accreditation

St. Louis, Mo. – The St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department announced today that, beginning Monday, November 1, 2021, a team of assessors from the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA®) will examine policies and procedures, management, and operations of the Department's Training Academy to ensure compliance with CALEA Standards and maintain the Department's Training Academy accreditation.

CALEA accreditation is voluntary and recognizes professional excellence in law enforcement organizations through adherence to best-practice and evidence-based policies and operations.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, CALEA assessors will be conducting a virtual on-site assessment.

As part of the virtual on-site assessment, agency personnel and members of the community are invited to offer comments. The public may call (314) 444-1275 on Monday November 1, 2021 from 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM.

Telephone comments are limited to ten minutes and must address the agency's ability to comply with CALEA standards. The public may also e-mail comments directly to the CALEA Commission at calea@calea.org with the subject line "St. Louis Metro P. D. On-Site."

The assessment team consists of: Captain Alfred Miller (retired) from Prince William County Virginia Police Department who now is a Senior Program Manager in the Education, Outreach, Training and Prevention Department of the National Center for Missing Exploited Children; and Mr. Patrick Miller, an instructor and supervisor with the Department of Criminal Justice Training in Richmond, Kentucky.

The St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department received its initial CALEA Law Enforcement Accreditation award in 2007 and was re-accredited in 2010, 2013, 2016, and 2020. The Department's Training Academy was accredited in 2012, and re-accredited in 2015 and 2018. The Communications Division was accredited in 2013 and re-accredited in 2016 and 2020. The Department received the CALEA Tri-Arc Award in August of 2013, reflecting the holding of three concurrent CALEA accreditations.

For more information regarding the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc., please write the Commission at 13575 Heathcote Blvd, Suite 320 Gainesville, Virginia, 20155; or call (703) 352-4225 or visit the CALEA website at www.calea.org.

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