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METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Citizens Police Academy Graduation Set for Wednesday

Thirty St. Louis Citizens Took Part in the Reinstated Program

The Metropolitan Police Department, City of St. Louis ("the department") will celebrate the conclusion of the Citizens Academy with a graduation ceremony on Wednesday, November 18. The event will be held at 7 p.m. on the sixth floor of Police Headquarters located at 1200 Clark Avenue.

The 10-week course encompassed 30 hours of instruction and was designed to strengthen the bond between the department and the community. This graduating class is the first since 2005.

Participants in the Citizens Academy have had the opportunity to gain a better understanding of the inner workings of the department through instruction in the department's history and structure, how the department predicts and analyzes crime patterns, gang intelligence, homicide investigations and community policing techniques. They also had the opportunity to interact with police canines and the police bomb robot, as well as tour the 911 center, and use shooting simulators.

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WHAT: Citizens Academy Graduation

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WHERE: Police Headquarters
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