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WHO: East Hartford Residents

WHAT: East Hartford Citizen Police Academy

WHERE: East Hartford Police Department's Training Classroom, 31 School Street

WHEN: September 5, 2018

East Hartford Police Department Announces 10th Session of Citizen Police Academy

East Hartford residents are invited to participate in the upcoming tenth session of the East Hartford Citizen Police Academy.

The Citizen Police Academy is geared toward citizens who reside, work, own a business, or are a student in East Hartford. The Citizen Academy is a unique opportunity for citizens of East Hartford to learn about their police department and the work local police officers perform in the community. The academy also provides an overview of police operations, practices, and objectives.

The Citizen Police Academy is part of the community policing concept, embraced by the East Hartford Police Department. Citizens who attend the academy will learn about such topics as the history of the police department, police employment and training, legal standards, patrol and special unit operations, criminal investigations, evidentiary services, use of force, police and the public, and proactive policing efforts.

"Now, more than ever, a mutual understanding between police and the community is essential," said Chief Scott Sansom. "The Citizen Academy is a great opportunity for members of our community to not only become better acquainted with the Police Department, but to also understand the rationale behind police operations."

Classes will run every Wednesday for eight weeks, starting on September 5, 2018, from 6:30 PM until 9:30 PM, in the East Hartford Police Department's Training Classroom.

The academy is free of cost, and enrollment is limited to twenty-five participants. Applications may be picked up in the Front Lobby of the Public Safety Complex at 31 School Street, or online at the Department's website: www.easthartfordct.gov/police-department, under "Citizen Police Academy." **The application deadline is Wednesday, August 29, 2018.** Citizens needing further information should contact Lieutenant Juergens at (860) 528-4401, Extension 7529, or you can e-mail tjuergens@easthartfordct.gov.

