We Make Richmond A Safer City Through Community Policing And Engagement.



## Applications are now being accepted for the Richmond Police Department's 32<sup>nd</sup> Citizens Police Academy Tuesday Evenings Beginning October 5, 2021 through November 16, 2021 from 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm All classes will be held through the Microsoft Teams Platform

## NOTE: The Citizen Academy will be taught in English and Spanish

## FAQs:

**WHAT IS THE CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY?** This <u>FREE</u> Citizens Police Academy is designed to introduce citizens to the RPD, improve relationships with RPD, help participants gain knowledge of police operations, develop stronger advocates and promote safety in the community. Sessions will include, but not be limited to: RPD patrol functions, crime prevention through environmental design, personal safety, hands-on exercises and so much more.

**WHD MAY ATTEND?** The Academy is perfect for persons interested in a career in law enforcement or who want to learn how to create safer communities. Citizens are expected to attend and participate in at least 80% of the sessions.

**WHAT HAPPENS AFTER GRADUATION?** Graduates of the Citizens Police Academy officially become Volunteers in Police Services (VIPS). Members of VIPS are notified of volunteer opportunities, events, special programs and services with RPD. Graduates may be also called to participate on special boards and planning committees.

## HOW DO I APPLY?

Citizens should complete and return an application to RPDCares@richmondgov.com

