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Citizen's Police Academy

The Citizen's Police Academy is an important part of the Barnegat Police Department's community policing program. The 10 week program (held one night a week for 3 hours) gives attendees the rare opportunity to learn about the ins and outs of police work in Barnegat.

The program is designed to engender trust and dispel misconceptions about policing through empowering the participants with knowledge and understanding of modern day policing in our area.

The program covers many different areas of police work including:

- Firearms
- Use of Force
- Patrol Procedures
- Traffic Safety
- Bicycle Patrol
- Less Lethal Force
- Defensive Tactics
- Communications
- Crime Scene Investigation
- Forensics
- Traffic Stops
- DWI Investigations
- Domestic Violence
- Bias Crimes
- Internal Affairs
- Accreditation

Participants will interact with a host of both sworn and civilian employees who will conduct both classroom instruction and town-hall style question and answer periods. The class culminates with the hands on investigation of a mock crime scene by participants.

Attendee feedback is encouraged, and the program continues to evolve with each new class in response to the previous classes' suggestions and recommendations.

In order to be eligible, participants must:

- Live or work in Barnegat Township
- Be at least 18 years of age
- Have no indictable crime convictions
- Have no disorderly persons offense convictions within three years