

Accreditation Report to the NYS Deputy Sheriff's Association

December 4, 2009 in Albany NY at 10:00 AM. The following will consist of a summary of the meeting.

Program Updates:

1. The Council anticipates three agencies will seek initial Accreditation, and five will seek re-accreditation in the next quarter.
2. Two training classes were scheduled for this quarter- one in Rochester and one in Albany. The first day is for program managers and the second day is for maintaining Accreditation.
3. A draft of the Annual Report was e-mailed to the council and discussed before it will be sent to the state level.
4. Next meeting March 4, 2010.

Meeting Highlights:

Accreditation started in 1989 and has had (20) twenty years of success.

Currently there are 246 agencies enrolled in the program out of 550 potential departments. There are 131 that are accredited.

The discussion on Hate Crimes will be put off until the next meeting. Deputy Commissioner John Bilich who brought up this issue could not be at the meeting.

The electronic filing system is being worked on by Joyce and Owen- so far they are having very good success with the agencies participating.

Discussion was held on whether agencies should have the old compliance sheets in the folders when the assessors come out for a re-accreditation. Apparently the assessors are seeing problems that agencies are not correcting deficiencies involving needing for paperwork, etc. This passed and is now a requirement.

Meeting dates for 2010 are: March 4th , June 3rd , September 2nd and December 2nd.

Agencies Approved by the Council for Accreditation:

- ✓ Suffern Village Police Department

Agencies Approved by the Council for Re-accreditation:

- ✓ Albany City Police Department
- ✓ Brockport Village Police Department
- ✓ Canton Village Police Department
- ✓ Chenango county Sheriff's Office
- ✓ Colonie Town Police Department

The Council approved annual Compliance Surveys from the following agencies:

First Year Reports

Cattaraugus County Sheriff's Office
Newburgh city Police Department
Rome City Police Department
Saratoga County sheriff's Office
Watertown City Police Department

Second Year Reports

Dutchess County Sheriff's Office
Livingston County Sheriff's Office
Middletown City Police Department
North Greenbush Town Police Department
Potsdam Village Police Department
SUNY Buffalo Police Department
Syracuse City Police Department
Ulster County Sheriff's Office
Westchester County Department of Public Safety

Third Year Reports

Elmira City Police Department
Evans Town Police Department
Fairport Village Police Department
Hastings-on-Hudson Village Police Department
Hornell City Police Department
Irondequoit Town Police Department
Oneida County Sheriff's Office
Rotterdam Town Police Department
Tonawanda City Police Department
Vestal Town Police Department
Wellsville Village Police Department

Fourth Year Reports

Endicott Village Police Department
Genesee County Sheriff's Office
Kingston City Police Department
North Castle Police Department
Orange County Sheriff's Office
Troy City Police Department
Yates County Sheriff's Office