

Background Authorization

I understand that a background and warrant check will be conducted. I hereby authorize any law enforcement agency to release to the Westminster Police Department any and all information, which said agencies have about me, for the limited purpose of aiding the department in evaluating my eligibility for participation in the Citizens' Academy. We reserve the right to refuse participation in this program. This authorization extends to any information, which said agencies may have about me, whether public, personal or confidential. I understand that I will not receive and am not entitled to know the contents of confidential reports received from these agencies. I hereby release, discharge and agree to hold harmless the agencies, their agents and any person furnishing information from any and all liability arising out of furnishing and inspecting such documents and information.

PRINT FULL NAME

APPLICANT SIGNATURE

DATE

WPD Mission Statement

It is the mission of the Westminster Police Department to protect the lives and property of the people we serve, to reduce crime, and to enhance the quality of life in our community with commitment, compassion and integrity.



Community policing has and will always be at the core of our agency. We believe that by inviting members of the community into our department, we will produce better informed individuals.

Thank you for your interest in the
WPD Citizens' Academy.

Attn: Cindy Gray, PSO, Citizens' Academy Coordinator
Westminster Police Department
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Westminster Police Department Citizens' Academy



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What is the Citizens' Academy?

The Westminster Police Department is proud to offer the Citizens' Academy to those who live or work in the City of Westminster. This free, 11-week program gives qualified individuals the opportunity to see how the Westminster Police Department is organized, what services we provide and how we continue to serve the City.

Most importantly, the program allows those we serve to interact with those who serve. It is our hope that you will see how much WPD cares about the safety of our community and that you will share your firsthand experiences with your neighbors.

The WPD Guarantee

We guarantee that those who successfully pass this course will have a better understanding of how a police department functions.



Participants are invited to look behind the scenes at the roles and responsibilities of police officers and support staff in each unit of the department.

Course Details

For 11 weeks, the Academy will meet every Wednesday evening to learn from instructors who are all employees of the Westminster Police Department. These expert facilitators each dedicate their time and provide their expertise to make this program as informative and engaging as possible. Activities and lectures include, but are not limited to:

- SWAT
- Narcotics
- K9 Program
- Patrol
- Dispatch
- Crime Scenes
- Traffic Enforcement
- Crisis Negotiation
- Firearms
- Gangs



Minimum Requirements

Prospective participants for the Citizens' Academy must meet the following criteria:

- Must be a resident or work within the City of Westminster
- Must be 18 years of age or older
- Must not have any misdemeanor convictions or arrests within 3 years
- Must not have any felony convictions or arrests
- Must pass a limited background check, which includes LiveScan fingerprinting

How to Apply

Due to limited class size, those wishing to participate are highly encouraged to return their applications as soon as possible.

- Fill out the application on the next column
- Return by:
 - **Email** to: CommunityAcademy@westminster-ca.gov
 - **Fax** to (714) 891-2932
 - **Mail** to Citizens' Academy Coordinator Cindy Gray (address below)
 - **Drop off** at WPD Front Counter

After a preliminary review, an eligibility list will be compiled and students will be assigned to the next available session.

Contact Us

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 Westminster, CA 92683
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Website: www.westminster-ca.gov/police

Application

Name _____

Home Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Date of Birth _____

CA Driver's License # _____

Social Security # _____

How long have you lived in Westminster?

_____ years _____ months

How long have you worked in Westminster?

_____ years _____ months

Do you have any past arrests, conviction or pending court cases?

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| | Yes | | No |
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If you answered "yes," please list below the DATE, AGENCY, CHARGE AND DISPOSTIION. Attach additional sheets if necessary. Include all misdemeanors and felonies. You do not have to include infractions (i.e. traffic ticket).
