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## Topics of Instruction:

- ❖ Bomb Disposal
- ❖ Champaign County Crime Problem
- ❖ Community Oriented Policing
  - Crime Prevention
  - Neighborhood Watch
- ❖ Crime Stoppers
- ❖ Cultural Diversity
- ❖ Domestic Violence and the Police Response
- ❖ Drugs and Gangs
- ❖ DUI Enforcement
- ❖ Group Discussion
- ❖ Firearms Safety
- ❖ How Not to be a Victim
- ❖ K-9 Demo
- ❖ Orientation to Law Enforcement
- ❖ Police-Citizen Contact
- ❖ Racial Profiling
- ❖ Tour of the Champaign County Jail
- ❖ Tour of PTI
- ❖ Use of Force
  - Control and Arrest Tactics
  - Baton
  - O. C. Spray
  - Taser

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## Benefits of the Citizen Police Academy to Champaign County Residents:

- ❖ Citizens and police officers have an opportunity to work closely together.
- ❖ Lines of communication between community residents and their police are enhanced.
- ❖ Citizens gain the ability to make informed decisions regarding controversial issues faced by their communities.
- ❖ Citizen involvement with their local community and police departments is enhanced.
- ❖ Citizens gain a better understanding of how their police departments work and develop ways in which the community can better reduce crime.
- ❖ Citizens become aware of the problems facing their police departments.

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## Citizen Police Academy February 16–April 27, 2006

Classes will be held from 6:30 PM to 9:00 PM Thursday evenings at the Police Training Institute, 1004 South Fourth Street, Champaign.



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# Champaign County Citizen Police Academy



The Citizen Police Academy is an educational and informative program that allows citizens the opportunity to learn about the issues that face law enforcement efforts in Champaign County.

The goals of the citizen academy are: 1) provide stronger citizen/police relationships; 2) enhance lines of communication; and, 3) the reduction of crime in our community.



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In cooperation with the Champaign County Sheriff's Office, University of Illinois Police Department, Urbana Police Department, Champaign Police Department, Rantoul Police Department, Mahomet Police Department, Parkland College Public Safety, and District 10 of the Illinois State Police, the Police Training Institute is offering the Champaign County Citizen Police Academy.

## COMMUNITY RELATIONS

The goal of the Citizen Police Academy is not only to help local residents better understand police work in their community, but to develop stronger ties between our community and police agencies in an effort to better address crime issues.

## COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING

Community oriented policing is an important and vital aspect of crime control in any community. It is through community cooperation and planning that we can best ensure quality police services in an organized and effective crime prevention effort.

## CRIME PREVENTION

The instruction provided at the Citizen Police Academy will include topics relevant to the Champaign County crime problem, such as: crime prevention and community based policing, drugs, gangs, DARE, domestic violence, DUI enforcement, citizen police contacts, the Use of Force Model and use of force, firearms safety and the law, use of vehicle driver training simulators, a tour of the Champaign County Jail, and a patrol ride-along with your local department.

The Citizen Police Academy is yet another mechanism for local police departments to inform the public of what they do, improve communication, and obtain citizen input, assistance, and support throughout the county.

The Citizen Police Academy consists of ten, two and one-half hour blocks of instruction conducted over a ten week period. Classes are being held at the Police Training Institute on Thursday evenings from 6:30 PM to 9:00 PM beginning February 16 and ending April 27, 2006.

Each evening of instruction has been designed to inform participants of various crime problems. Possible solutions to these problems and the police role in Champaign County will be discussed.

The instruction will be provided by officers and trainers from each of the participating agencies. Participants will be asked to help identify problems and solutions to those crime issues affecting our community. Graduates of the program will receive a certificate of completion.

Inquiries regarding the Champaign County Citizen Police Academy should be addressed to your local police chief or sheriff. Information about the program may also be obtained from:

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