

ACCREDITATION TEAM INVITES PUBLIC COMMENTS ABOUT THE WINTER SPRINGS POLICE DEPARTMENT

A team of assessors from the Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation (CFA) will arrive December 12, 2017 to examine all aspects of the Winter Springs Police Department's policies and procedures, management, operations, and support services, Chief Kevin Brunelle announced today. The Winter Springs Police Department has to comply with approximately 239 standards in order to receive accredited status. Many of the standards are critical to life, health and safety issues.

As part of the on-site assessment, agency members and the general public are invited to offer comments to the assessment team. A copy of the standards is available through Winter Springs Police Department at 407-327-6559.

For more information regarding CFA or for persons wishing to offer written comments about the Winter Springs Police Department's ability to meet the standards of accreditation, please write: CFA, P.O. Box 1489, Tallahassee, Florida 32302, or email to info@flaccreditation.org.

The Accreditation Manager for Winter Springs Police Department is Corporal Murette Sims. She said the assessment team is composed of law enforcement practitioners from similar agencies. The assessors will review written materials; interview individuals; and visit offices and other places where compliance can be witnessed. The CFA Assessment Team Leader is Ms. Angela Madias, Davie Police Department. Other team members are Lieutenant Mathew Monaco, Vero Beach Police Department and Special Agent Lori Collins, Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Division of Alcoholic Beverage and Tobacco.

Once the Commission's assessors complete their review of the agency, they report back to the full Commission, which will then decide if the agency is to receive accredited status. Winter Springs Police Department's accreditation is for three years. Verification by the team that Winter Springs Police Department meets the Commission's standards is part of a voluntary process to gain or maintain accreditation--a highly prized recognition of law enforcement professional excellence.