



# HOWELL TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

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# CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY

**2<sup>ND</sup>  
ANNUAL**

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS  
FEBRUARY 5, 2020 - MAY 6, 2020 - 7:00PM  
HOWELL TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL COMPLEX - RT. 9 N. - HOWELL

## WHAT IS THE CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY?

The Citizens Police Academy is a 14-week program designed to give participants an understanding of the operation of the Howell Police Department and a working knowledge of what law enforcement entails. The classes are held once a week and are approximately 2 hours in duration. The class will be limited to 25 students, so register early. There is no cost for residents to participate. Participants will also receive a Citizens Police Academy polo shirt to wear to class. Each class will provide an overview of various areas of law enforcement. Classes will be given on the following topics:

- Orientation and Agency Overview
- 9-1-1 and Police Communications
- Use of Force
- Domestic Violence / 180 Program
- Community Services / School Resources
- Narcotics Enforcement / Opioid Problem and HTPD Response
- Introduction to Firearm Safety
- Police Specialized Units and Their Functions  
(K-9 / Traffic Safety/ MOCERT/ Humane LEO)
- Active Threat
- First Aid and CPR
- Health And Fitness
- Virtua Simulator (Depending on class size)
- Police Defense Tactics / Handcuffing
- Pursuit and Forcible Stopping
- Police Response to the Mentally Ill

Several demonstrations will take place during the academy, in which attendees will be allowed to participate. The academy will conclude with a recognition ceremony and each participant will receive a certificate of completion.

## WHY PARTICIPATE?

The Howell Police Department follows the philosophy of Community Policing and is committed to developing partnerships with citizens of the township. The Citizens Police Academy provides an opportunity for citizens to develop direct lines of communication with the police department. The citizens participating in the academy will have a working knowledge of the Howell Police Department and its functions. It is hoped that the instruction will strengthen police/community rapport through an educational process, increase understanding of police practices and procedures, and dispose of misconceptions. The police department, in turn, becomes more aware of the concerns and questions of the community it serves.

## WHO CAN ATTEND?

Participants must be at least 18 years of age and reside in the Township of Howell. They must be of good moral character. There will be a criminal history conducted on each applicant prior to acceptance into the academy. An application for the academy must be completed and signed along with a waiver of liability. You will be notified when you are accepted into the Citizens Police Academy.

## WHAT THE ACADEMY IS NOT:

The Citizens Police Academy is not designed to make participants certified police officers. The participation and completion of the academy is designed to develop partnerships with the community. Graduating from the academy does not grant police authority to participants.

## ATTENDANCE:

You are expected to attend all sessions in order to complete the program. We understand that emergencies do occur. If you have more than two absences, you will not be allowed to receive your certificate of completion. Out of courtesy to the instructor(s) and your fellow students, please arrive on time.

## TO APPLY FOR THE CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY:

If you are interested in applying for the Citizens Police Academy, you can:

- Pick up an application at the Howell Police Department (300 Old Tavern Road, Howell, NJ 07731)
- E-mail Josephine Higgins at [JHiggins2@howellpolice.org](mailto:JHiggins2@howellpolice.org) to obtain an Application through e-mail.
- Download the Application from our Facebook Event Page. Facebook/HowellPolice

• **ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY JANUARY 22, 2020**

Please contact Josephine Higgins with any questions: [JHiggins2@howellpolice.org](mailto:JHiggins2@howellpolice.org)