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## **Richton Park & Matteson PD 's Citizens Police Academy**

### **Village of Richton Park**

RICHTON PARK, IL. August 8, 2016 – The Richton Park and Matteson Police Departments are sponsoring an official “Citizens Police Academy,” open to area residents and business owners. This special force introduces a standard course as well, as classes will be held on 8 consecutive Thursdays from 7:00pm-9:00pm between the sites of Richton Park and Matteson Police Departments. The curriculum has been designed to give participants a working knowledge of the police department and daily functions. Participants must be at least 18 years old to participate and will be subject to a background check. There is no charge to attend the academy; it’s totally free.

Classes are scheduled to begin September 15, 2016. Class size will be limited so don’t miss out on registration. Call 708-283-4713 or email [mcarter@villageofmatteson.org](mailto:mcarter@villageofmatteson.org) for your application today!

*“Community involvement is a vital part of any city, village, or town, and this is a perfect opportunity for our local residents and business owners to acquire an acute knowledge of and from the very forces that vow to protect and serve us. In partnership with the Village of Matteson, this Citizens Police Academy will definitely benefit our communities.”*

*– Rick Reinbold, Village President.*

Scheduled class topics include:

- Class 1 - Introductions, Overview/Tour of Department, Careers in Law Enforcement
- Class 2 - Community Policing
- Class 3 - Crime Scene Investigation and Evidence Collection Pt 1
- Class 4 - Crime Scene Investigation and Evidence Collection Pt 2
- Class 5 - Police Ethics and Use of Force
- Class 6 - Use of Force and Defensive Tactics
- Class 7 - Firearms and Weapons Training
- Class 8 - Juvenile Law/Police and Youth Interaction & Peer Jury Demonstration
- Class 9 - Traffic Stops
- Class 10 - Overview of Field Training and Graduation

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