



Asbury Park Police Department

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Accreditation Assessment Team Invites Public Comment

A team of assessors from the New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police (NJSACOP) will arrive on Monday January 15, 2018 to examine all aspects of the Asbury Park Police Department's policies and procedures, management, operations, and support services Deputy Chief Kelso announced today.

"Verification by the team that the Asbury Park Police Department meets the Commission's best practice standards is part of a voluntary process to achieve accreditation. As part of this final on-site assessment, employees and members of the general public are invited to provide comments to the assessment team. They may do so by telephone or email. The public may call (732) 502-5748 on Monday, January 15, 2018 between the hours of 10:00 AM-12:00 PM. Email comments can be sent to carmen.gagliano@cityofasburypark.com

Telephone comments are limited to 5 minutes and must address the agency's ability to comply with the NJSACOP standards. A copy of the standards is available for inspection at the Asbury Park Police Department, 1 Municipal Plaza, Asbury Park, NJ 07712. Please contact Sergeant Carmen Gagliano, Accreditation Manager at (732) 502-4594.

Anyone wishing to offer written comments about the Asbury Park Police Department's ability to comply with the standards for accreditation is requested to email the Accreditation Program manager at hdelgado@njsacop.org or write the New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police, Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission at 751 Route 73 North, Suite 12, Marlton, N.J. 08053.

The Asbury Park Police Department must comply with 105 standards in order to achieve accredited status. Accreditation results in greater accountability within the agency, reduced risk and liability exposure, stronger defense against civil lawsuits, increased community advocacy, and more confidence in the agency's ability to operate efficiently and respond to community needs."

The Accreditation Program Manager for the New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police is Mr. Harry J Delgado, Ed.S. The assessment team is composed of law enforcement practitioners from similar New Jersey law enforcement agencies. The assessors will review written materials, interview agency members, and visit offices and other places where compliance with the standards can be observed. Once the Commission's assessors complete their review of the agency, they will report to the full Commission, which will then decide if the agency is to be granted accredited status" Harry J Delgado stated.

Accreditation is valid for a three-year period during which time the agency must submit annual reports attesting to their continued compliance with those standards under which it was initially accredited. Please write the Commission at New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police, Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission at 751 Route 73 North, Suite 12 Marlton, N.J. 08053 or email hdelgado@njsacop.org.