

Lee's Summit Police Department CALEA Accreditation Review



August 24, 2021
Chief Travis Forbes



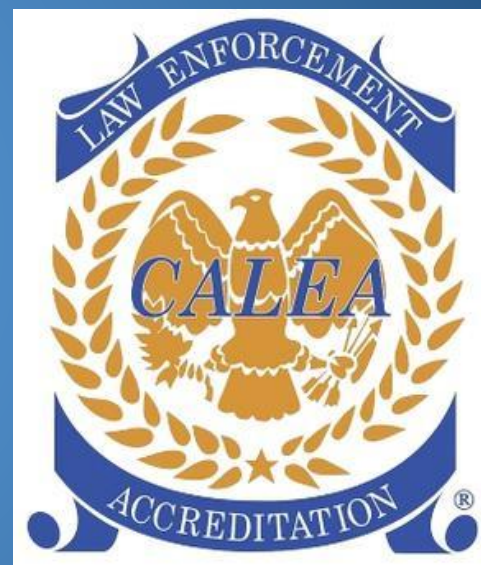
Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc

- International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP)
- National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives (NOBLE)
- National Sheriffs' Association (NSA)
- Police Executive Research Forum (PERF)



What is Accreditation?

- Comprehensive directives
- Reports and analyses
- Preparedness
- Community relationships
- Independent review
- Continuous evaluation
- 458 standards



Remote Review

- Remote review
 - 2018: 79 standards reviewed
 - 2019: 157 standards reviewed
 - 2020: 83 standards reviewed
 - 2021: 104 standards reviewed



Remote Review Results

- Notification schedule in internal investigations
- Need to advise candidates, in writing, of all steps in the hiring process



Site-Based Review

- Assessors
 - William Buckbee
 - Assistant Chief, Kent State (OH) University (39 years)
 - Nine campus system
 - Oversight for three accreditations at Kent State
 - FBI National Academy Graduate
 - Assessor since 2001
 - Steve Sanders
 - Retired from Garden Grove, CA Police Dept. (31 years)
 - Assessor since 2006
 - Oversight for three accreditations at Garden Grove
 - Bachelors in CJ



Site-Based Review

- LSPD Accreditation Manager
 - Tanisha Artis
- Focus areas
 - Juvenile operations
 - Investigations
 - Operations (Crime Reduction Team)
 - Community Outreach



Site-Based Review

- 31 interviews
 - Lee's Summit R-7, internal personnel, Hope House, ReDiscover, community members, city staff, outside jurisdiction department leaders, Jackson County Prosecutor's Office, PSAB, Citizen's Police Academy graduates
- Review of standards vs policies and proofs



Conclusions

- Juvenile Operations
 - “Dr Hill said she has worked at several other school districts and is impressed with the strong relationship that the agency has with the community.”
- Investigations
 - (Ilene Shehan of Hope House)..said the agency works closely with her organization and she praised their compassion and devotion to helping victims.”



Conclusions

- CRT
 - “The CRT is a dynamic, flexible, and adaptable unit staffed with well-trained and motivated officers who use a variety of enforcement tactics and techniques and neighborly community policing practices to address concerns of crime and quality of life in their community.”
- Community Outreach
 - “(ReDiscover’s Ed Cullumber, Vice President)...said the agency is always willing to try new things to help their community”



Conclusions

- “The remote on-site was managed exceptionally well by Tanisha Artis..”
- “The assessors determined that Lee’s Summit Police Department is a remarkably well led agency, with progressive and innovative programs, and a laudable community outreach that has resulted in commensurate community support.”



Conclusions

- Verbal quote: “If our leaders want to look at what the future of policing and reform should be, they should look at your department.”



Conclusions

- “The decision to accredit is rendered by a governing body of twenty-one Commissioners following a public hearing and review of all reporting documentation.”
- “...the Lee’s Summit Police Department has been awarded Law Enforcement Accreditation effective July 16, 2021, for the fourth time.”



Conclusions

- “CALEA congratulates the Lee’s Summit Police Department for demonstrating a commitment to professional excellence through accreditation.”



LEE'S SUMMIT
MISSOURI

Yours Truly

Thank You

- City Council
- City Manager's Office
- Community partners
- Citizens of Lee's Summit
- Employees of the LSPD
 - Tanisha Artis
 - Command Staff
 - Assessment representatives

Questions?

