Citizens Academy and Adult Ride-In Program



Chief of Police Las Cruces Police Department Las Cruces, New Mexico

Application

Name:Last / First / Middle	Application Date
Present Address:	
Telephone Number:	Social Security Number:
Previous Address:	
Date of Birth:	Place of Birth:
Have You Ever Been Arrested?	
In Case of Emergency, contact:	

Authorization for Conducting Criminal Record Check

I hereby authorize the Las Cruces Police Department to inspect and /or obtain copies of arrest information concerning myself, if any, filed with the Las Cruces Police Department or with any other agency.

		Signature of Applicant	
STATE of County of Signed or attested before me on My Commission expires:		by Signature of Notary	
Remarks:	*		
	-	Checked by / Date	

Hold Harmless Agreement

The undersigned does hereby request permission from the City of Las Cruces and the Las Cruces Police Department to participate in the citizen academy and ride with city police as an observer in a city police vehicle. Permission is granted to observe routine police activities. The undersigned recognizes that there are many significant risks of injury to the undersigned, both from the activities of the police officers as well as from the activities of third parties. In order to induce the City of Las Cruces and the Las Cruces Police Department to grant such permission, the undersigned does hereby agree to hold harmless the City of Las Cruces and the Las Cruces Police Department from any and all claims, injuries, or damage, which the undersigned may sustain while participating in the citizens academy or while riding in such police vehicle or from undertaking any activities in connection therewith, and does hereby waive any right, which the undersigned might have to pursue a claim against the City of Las Cruces or the Las Cruces Police Department for any such claims, injuries, or damages.

	Signature of Applicant	
STATE of County of Signed or attested before me on My Commission expires:	by	
() Approve () Disapproved Condition/Limitations:		
	Chief of Police Date:	_

RULES, POLICIES AND PROCEDURES OF LAS CRUCES POLICE DEPARTMENT CITIZENS ACADEMY AND ADULT RIDE-IN PROGRAM AGREEMENT AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY

OVERVIEW:

The Las Cruces Police Department has a Citizens Academy and Ride-In Program (hereinafter referred to as the "Program") that gives civilians the opportunity to observe law enforcement patrol activities during their normal course of duty and learn about various topics related to policing.

APPLICATION:

City

AGREEMENT AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY:

An interested candidate must agree to and sign the Authorization for Conducting Criminal Record Check form and Application documents. The Chief and/or their designee will consider the request for approval.

l.			date of birth	
	First name	M.I.	Last name	
of:				

Address: Number Street/Road

ZIP

State

Wish to participate in the Las Cruces Police Department Citizens Academy and Ride-In Program. I understand that the Program is offered by the Las Cruces Police Department as a means of furthering the understanding and communication, as well as information, between the Las Cruces Police Department and the citizens and organizations of the City of Las Cruces. I acknowledge that participation in the Program carries some risk of harm to me.

I AM AWARE THAT POLICE WORK IS A DANGEROUS OCCUPATION AND THAT RIDING IN A POLICE UNIT DURING AN OFFICER'S TOUR OF DUTY RESPONDING TO CALLS FOR SERVICE, E.G., DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, ROBBERIES, BURGLARIES, STOPPING INDIVIDUALS OR VEHICLES ON THE STREET FOR INVESTIGATION OF CRIMES ARE HAZARDOUS ACTIVITIES. I AM VOLUNTARILY PARTICIPATING IN THESE ACTIVITIES WITH THE KNOWLEDGE AND APPRECIATION OF THE DANGERS INVOLVED, AMONG WHICH COULD INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO, BEING INJURED OR SHOT, STRUCK BY A VEHICLE, EXPOSED TO HAZARDOUS MATERIALS, INJURED IN A TRAFFIC COLLISION, OR HIT BY A THROWN OBJECT, AND HEREBY AGREE TO ACCEPT AND ASSUME THE RISK OF PROPERTY DAMAGE, INJURY, OR DEATH.

(INITIAL)

AS LAWFUL CONSIDERATION for being allowed ride along with a police officer during their tour of duty and to participate in the citizens academy, I agree that I, my heirs, distributes, guardians, legal representatives, next of kin, spouse, domestic partner, and assigns will not make a claim against, sue, attach the property of, or prosecute the City of Las Cruces or its employees, for injury or death to my person or damage to my property resulting from passive or active negligence, or intentional acts, however, caused, by any of its employees or other persons such as potential suspects or drivers of other vehicles, as a result of my participation as an observer or presence in a police unit, police station jail, city building or facility, crime scene, or on the property of another while accompanying police officers engaged in law enforcement related activities.

In addition, I hereby release and agree to hold harmless and discharge the City of Las Cruces and its employees and agents from all actions, claims, or demands on my heirs, distributes, guardians, legal representatives, next of kin, spouse, domestic partner, or assigns now have or may have in the future for injury or death to my person or damage to my property resulting from my participation in observing and accompanying a law enforcement officer/ employee during a tour of duty. ______(INITIAL)

Further, I hereby agree to compensate or reimburse the City of Las Cruces and its employees for any claims brought against it for property damage or personal injury or death that arises as a result of my passive or active negligence or other act while participating in any of the above-named activities, including attorney's fees and other costs of defense.

APPROVAL:

Upon receipt of the citizens academy application and the completed and signed Release and Waiver of Liability form, the request will be considered for approval. The Chief of Police or their designee will notify a candidate whether his/her request has been approved or disapproved. Submission of an application does not guarantee that it will be approved.

PARTICIPATION:

Participants will be required to participate in classroom lecture, discussion, and role-playing scenarios during the course of the citizens academy.

Participants will be under the direction of a police officer. Participants will not be allowed to become involved in the police officer's activities. If the police officer or the participant decides that a dangerous situation exists that would compromise the participant's safety, the ride-in will terminate, and the participant will be dropped off at a place of safety. Arrangements will be made for the participant's transportation back to the Police Department if the ride-in is terminated.

I certify that I am an adult and that I have read, understand, and will comply with the foregoing Rules, Policies, and Procedures of the Las Cruces Police Department Ride-In Program. I am aware that this is a contract for the release of liability between myself and the City of Las Cruces and its employees, and I sign it of my own free will. (INITIAL)

SIGNATURES:	
Signature of Las Cruces Police Department	
Ride-In Program Participant	
State of County of	
IN WITNESS WHERE OF, I/we have signed this document on thisday of	
Signature of Notary	
My Commission expires: 20	