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Branson Police Department Opens Applications for the 2025 Citizens Police Academy

(BRANSON, MO, July 3, 2025) The Branson Police Department is now accepting applications for its 2025 Citizens Police Academy, a hands-on program designed to give community members an inside look at the department's operations, values, and day-to-day responsibilities.

This 12-week program begins Thursday, August 21, 2025, and takes place every Thursday evening from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. through November 6.

Participants will gain firsthand insight into a wide range of law enforcement topics, including:

- Patrol Procedures
- Criminal and narcotics investigations
- Traffic and DWI enforcement
- Crime scene processing
- SWAT operations
- K-9 unit demonstration, and more!

The academy also includes a guided tour of the police department and a ride-along with an officer—offering a real world look at the challenges and responsibilities of the law enforcement in our community.

Applicant must be at least 21 years old and have no felony convictions to apply. While the program is open to all eligible individuals, priority will be given to those who live or work in the City of Branson. Class size is limited to 30 participants and is expected to fill quickly.

Applications are due by July 31, 2025. For more information or to apply online visit bransonmo.gov/police under the [Special Programs](#) sections. For questions regarding the Citizens Police Academy, contact Officer Donathan at ddonathan@bransonmo.gov or 417-334-3300.

This is your opportunity to learn more about the work behind public safety and strengthen the connection between officers and the community they serve.