



City of Margate Police Department

ACCREDITED LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY

MEDIA RELEASE



PIO Number: 20-03

Police Case Number: N/A

Event: Margate Police Department CFA Reaccreditation

Place of Occurrence: Margate Police Department

Date/Time of Occurrence: April 14 – 16, 2020

Victim(s): N/A

Suspect(s): N/A

PIO/Releasing Authority: Lieutenant Ryan McCarthy

Investigator: N/A

Release Date: February 19, 2020

Summary of Incident

ACCREDITATION TEAM INVITES PUBLIC COMMENTS ABOUT THE MARGATE POLICE DEPARTMENT

A team of assessors from the Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation (CFA) will arrive Tuesday, April 14, 2020 to examine all aspects of the Margate Police Department for the purpose of reaccrediting the agency in accordance with CFA standards. The assessors will examine the Margate Police Department's policies and procedures, management, operations, and support services. Many of the standards are critical to life, health and safety issues.

As part of the on-site assessment, agency members and the general public are invited to offer comments to the assessment team. A copy of the standards is available by contacting Lieutenant Ryan McCarthy at rmccarthy@margatefl.com or (954)-935-5498. For more information regarding CFA or for persons wishing to offer written comments about the Margate Police Department's ability to meet the standards of accreditation, please send an email to flaccreditation@fdle.state.fl.us or write:

Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation (CFA)
P.O. Box 1489
Tallahassee, Florida 32302

The assessment team is composed of law enforcement practitioners from similar agencies who have extensive law enforcement experience and knowledge. The assessors will review written materials, interview individuals, visit offices and other places where compliance can be observed. The CFA Assessment Team will be Sarah Kenniff (Team Leader) from the Sarasota County Sheriff's Office, Special Agent (S/A) Ramon Cosme with the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, and Sergeant Michael Roberts from the Palm Bay Police Department.

After the assessment team completes their review of the agency, they report to the CFA Commission, which will then decide if the agency is to be re-accredited. The Margate Police Department's accreditation period is for three (3) years. Verification by the assessment team that the Margate Police Department continues to meet the CFA Commission's standards is part of a voluntary process to maintain accreditation - a highly prized recognition of law enforcement professional excellence.