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Prosper Police set next Citizens Police Academy class *Class meets every Thursday evening starting March 7*

PROSPER (January 15, 2019) Prosper residents who want a keener insight into the workings of a modern, operationally-effective, dynamic police force should consider applying for the next class of the Prosper Citizens Police Academy.

“We are currently accepting applications for the next CPA class, which will be our eighth class,” says Officer Erin Hubbard, CPA coordinator. “The CPA, led by experienced, qualified officers, will provide attendees with a look behind the proverbial curtain. There is much more to serving as a police officer than what the average citizen sees. These classes will give interested residents an opportunity to see a side of law enforcement that is not usually on public display.”

Starting on Thursday, March 7, the classes will meet every Thursday evening from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. until the final class on May 16. Graduation ceremonies will be held at the annual Community Safety Initiative fair on Saturday, May 18.

Attendees should prepare to attend each class as each session will expose participants to a wide range of law-enforcement-related information. Topics covered will include accident investigation, State law, domestic violence, firearms and much more. A firearm license is not required, as CPA participants do not shoot nor carry firearms.

Applications and more information on the CPA are available online at <https://www.prospertx.gov/prosper-police-department-citizens-police-academy/>. Deadline for submitting completed applications is 5 p.m., March 1.

The classes are free, but applicants must be at least 18 years of age at the start of the class, may be either full-time residents of Prosper or work within the Town limits, and may not have a felony conviction on their record. Criminal background checks are completed for all applicants.

“Graduates of the Citizens Police Academy may continue their training and become part of the Citizens on Patrol or the Volunteers in Police Service,” added Hubbard. “The COP and VIPS programs are vital elements of the Prosper Police Department.”

Questions on the program and its requirements can be directed to Officer Hubbard via e-mail at erin_hubbard@prospertx.gov or by calling 972-347-9002.

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ABOUT THE TOWN OF PROSPER – The Town of Prosper is a fast-growing suburb with small town charm, located 30 miles north of Dallas at the crossroads of U.S. 380, Preston Road and the Dallas North Tollway in Collin and Denton Counties. Prosper sits on 27 square miles and is home to more than 24,000 people. A home-rule municipality, governed by a council-manager form of government, the town has full-time fire and police departments, including its own dispatch service. As the Town grows to its projected build-out population of 70,000 residents, Prosper’s vision is to remain a “Place Where Everyone Matters.”