



POLICE DEPARTMENT
CITY OF BURLINGTON

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Burlington Police Department Announces 2024 Community Academy

The Burlington Police Department is proud to announce that its annual Community Academy will take place beginning Wednesday, January 3, 2024 and continue each Wednesday from 6:00pm to 9:00pm for six weeks, through February 7, 2024.

Community Academy is open to those 18 years old and older, who live in or work in Burlington, and will meet each Wednesday in the Community Room of the Burlington Police Department located on One North Avenue.

Community Academy is a hands-on opportunity to learn about how the Burlington Police Department operates. Participants are able to interact with our officers, take part in role-playing scenarios, and discuss the laws, principles, and procedures that guide the daily activities of Burlington's police officers. We encourage anyone who would like to know more about our operations to apply.

Community Academy is taught by Burlington police officers and professional staff personnel. Participants will learn how Burlington police officers are recruited, trained, and chosen for specialized policing, and how all officers are trained in a variety of subjects, such as patrol procedures, use-of-force, K-9, mental health, drug enforcement policy, domestic violence, and less lethal tactics.

Applications and additional information are available at:

<https://www.burlingtonvt.gov/Police/Community-Academy>

For more information or to request an application, **please contact Constance Crisp** at the Burlington Police Department by emailing ccrisp@bpdvt.org or calling (802) 540-2365.

All applications must be received by **December 15, 2023**. All participants must pass a brief background check and have no recent misdemeanor or felony convictions.

Information is preliminary and subject to change.

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