The Agency

Municipal Police Training Academy

Agency Operations

The Rhode Island Municipal Police Training Academy provides basic training to all new police officers in Rhode Island with the exception of the Providence Police and the Rhode Island State Police. Additionally, new officers from the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management-Enforcement Division, University of Rhode Island, Brown University, Airport Police and others attend the academy.

The academy's training program includes instruction in criminal, constitutional, juvenile and motor vehicle code law; breathalyzer/S.F.S.T.; police patrol operations; CPR/AED; criminalistics; police ethics; physical fitness training; use of force training; basic water rescue; Emergency Vehicle Operator's Course (EVOC) training; community policing; firearms training and role-play operations training. Additionally, the recruits receive instruction on Hate Crimes, Diversity and Racial Profiling, as well as Weapons of Mass Destruction and terrorism awareness.

In addition to providing basic police training, the Police Academy also conducts extensive police inservice and specialized training programs in many areas. Some of these subject areas include: First Line Supervision; Field Training Officers Course; Criminal Investigation; Community/Problem Oriented Policing Programs; Advanced Firearms Instructor Training and High Threat Tactical Encounters Training.

The basic police recruit training operations are funded totally from the State General Fund. Most classroom instruction for the police recruits is conducted at the Community College of Rhode Island, Flanagan Campus, Lincoln, RI. The Rhode Island Municipal Police Training Academy also provides basic in-service and specialized police training at various locations throughout the State. All training operations are designed, coordinated and monitored by staff.

Agency Objectives

Evaluate and screen police officer candidates to ascertain required minimum qualifications.

Provide required instruction to all academy recruits to ensure capability to perform all necessary police tasks.

Provide in-service and specialized training courses.

Statutory History

In 1969, Title 42 Chapter 28.2 of the Rhode Island General Laws established the Rhode Island Municipal Police Training Academy and assigned it the responsibility of training and certifying all municipal police officers except Providence. The Police Academy also has the responsibility, by law, to train police officers from various state agencies.

The Budget

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| | FY 2003 Actual | FY 2004 Actual | FY 2005 Revised | FY 2006 Recommended |
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| Expenditures By Object | | | | |
| Personnel | 312,594 | 326,226 | 405,300 | 363,216 |
| Other State Operations | 50,363 | 38,888 | 85,426 | 40,494 |
| Aid To Local Units Of Government | - | - | - | - |
| Assistance, Grants and Benefits | - | - | - | - |
| Subtotal: Operating Expenditures | \$362,957 | \$365,114 | \$490,726 | \$403,710 |
| Capital Improvements | - | - | - | - |
| Capital Debt Service | - | - | - | - |
| Total Expenditures | \$362,957 | \$365,114 | \$490,726 | \$403,710 |
| Expenditures By Funds General Revenue Federal Funds Total Expenditures | 344,422 18,535 \$362,957 | 343,295 21,819 \$365,114 | 361,375 129,351 \$490,726 | 373,710 30,000 \$403,710 |
| FTE Authorization | 4.0 | 4.0 | 4.0 | 4.0 |
| Agency Measures Minorities as a Percentage of the Workforce Females as a Percentage of the Workforce Persons with Disabilities as a Percentage of the Workforce | - 25.0% | - 25.0% | - 25.0% | - 25.0% |
| Program Measures | | | | |
| Cumulative Grade Point Average for Recruit Classes | 92.4% | 92.9% | 93.3% | 93.3% |