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Press Release

SUBJECT: University of Florida Police Department (UFPD) Seeks Reaccreditation
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DATE OF INCIDENT: Wednesday, April 11, 2018
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NARRATIVE:

ACCREDITATION ASSESSMENT TEAM INVITES PUBLIC COMMENT ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA POLICE DEPARTMENT (UFPD)

A team of assessors from the Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation (CFA) will arrive on Wednesday, April 11, 2018, to examine all aspects of the UFPD's policies and procedures, management, operations, and support services, announced Lt. Kristy Sasser, the UFPD Accreditation Manager. The UFPD has to comply with approximately 260 standards in order to receive accredited status. 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 through the UFPD's Public Information Officer, Major Brad Barber. Major Barber can be reached at (352) 273-3309 or via email: wbarber@ufl.edu.

For more information regarding CFA or for persons wishing to offer written comments about the UFPD's ability to meet the standards of accreditation, please write:

CFA, P.O. Box 1489, Tallahassee, Florida 32302, or email to info@flaccreditation.org.

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, and visit offices and other places where compliance can be witnessed. The CFA Assessment Team Leader is Captain David Pate who currently serves with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC).

Once the Commission's assessors complete their review of the agency, they report back to the full Commission, which will then decide if the agency is to receive accredited status. The UFPD's accreditation is for three (3) years. Verification by the team that the UFPD meets the Commission's standards is part of a voluntary process to gain or maintain accreditation—a highly prized recognition of law enforcement professional excellence.

For questions regarding information contained in this release, please contact Lieutenant Kristy Sasser at (352) 392-9584. Lieutenant Sasser may also be reached via e-mail at ksasser@ufl.edu or visit the University of Florida Police Department webpage at <http://www.police.ufl.edu/>

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