

City of Bristol Tennessee

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PUBLIC NOTICE

In a continuing quest toward law enforcement excellence, the Bristol Tennessee Police Department is scheduled for an on-site accreditation assessment during the week of April 24-27, 2010 to verify that the department meets state-of-the-art professional standards.

The assessment is part of a voluntary program administered by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA). The accreditation program requires agencies to comply in four basic areas: policy and procedures, administration, operations, and support services.

As part of the on-site assessment, agency employees and members of the community are invited to offer comments at a public information session Monday, April 26, 2010 at 6:00 PM. The session will be conducted at the City Council Chamber located in the Slater Center at 325 McDowell Street.

Agency employees and the public are also invited to offer comments by calling **(423) 340-6164** on Sunday, April 25th, 2010 between the hours of 1:00 PM and 3:00 PM. Comments will be taken by the Assessment Team.

Telephone comments as well as appearances at the public information session are limited to 10 minutes and must address the agency's ability to comply with CALEA's standards. A copy of the standards is available at 801 Anderson Street. Local contact is Lieutenant Terry Johnson at 423-989-3409.

Anyone wishing to submit written comments about the Bristol Tennessee Police Department's ability to comply with the standards for accreditation may send them to the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement, Inc. (CALEA), 10302 Eaton Place, Suite 100, Fairfax, Virginia, 22030-2201.