



## **Texas City**

# **Citizens Police Academy**

The Texas City Citizens Police Academy began in June 2001 by former Chief of Police Jerry D. Purdon. With the assistance of Community Services Officer Charles Totty, the first Citizens Police Academy was formed and in session, and the group graduated in August of that same year.

The purpose of the Citizens Police Academy is to give its students an opportunity to see how and why the police department operates as it does. By participating in hands-on demonstrations, active listening through lecture series, and on-the-job participation, students are able to see for themselves what is involved in the day-to-day operations of the police department and its force.

Upon completion, academy graduates are eligible for membership in the Academy Alumni Association.

To participate in the Citizens Police Academy, prospective students must complete a Citizens Police Academy Application, a waiver of liability and hold harmless agreement, and successfully pass a criminal background check.

For information on the Citizens Police Academy, contact Corporal David View at (409) 643-5736 or Elroy Montgomery at (409) 643-5816.



## Waiver of Liability and Hold Harmless Agreement

The State of Texas  
County of Galveston

Known All Men By These Presents:

That I, the undersigned \_\_\_\_\_, for and in consideration of the privilege of being a participant in the Citizens Police Academy of the City of Texas City, and allowed use of City of Texas City property, equipment and services, including but not limited to the firing range, and recognizing that such activity involves certain inherent risks and danger to my property and person, do hereby agree to assume the risks attendant to such activity, to include property damage and physical injury from such services, and do hereby release and hold harmless the City of Texas City, its police department, agents and employees, in both their public and private capacities, from any and all liability, claims, suits, demands, and causes of action which may arise.

It is further agreed that the execution of this release shall not constitute a waiver by the City of Texas City of the defense of governmental immunity, where applicable, or any other defense recognized by the Courts of this State.

Signed on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2007.

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Participant Signature

Subscribed and sworn to me before this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2007.

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Notary Public State of Texas