

The Agency

Municipal Police Training Academy

Agency Operations

The Rhode Island Municipal Police Training Academy provides basic training to all new police officers throughout 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 Police Academy.

The Police Academy's training program includes instruction in criminal, constitutional, juvenile and motor vehicle code law; breathalyzer/standard field sobriety testing; police patrol operations; CPR/AED; criminalistics; police ethics; physical fitness training; use of force training; basic water rescue; emergency vehicle operator's course training (EVOC); 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 in-service 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 police recruits is conducted at the Community College of Rhode Island's Flanagan Campus, in Lincoln. 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 Police 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 Academy also has the responsibility, by law, to train police officers from various state agencies.

The Budget

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	FY 2005 Actual	FY 2006 Actual	FY 2007 Revised	FY 2008 Recommended
Expenditures By Object				
Personnel	299,081	297,768	406,269	410,561
Operating Supplies and Expenses	52,073	35,652	76,530	68,691
Aid To Local Units Of Government	-	-	-	-
Assistance, Grants and Benefits	-	-	-	-
Subtotal: Operating Expenditures	\$351,154	\$333,420	\$482,799	\$479,252
Capital Purchases and Equipment	37,987	2,810	1,821	-
Debt Service	-	-	-	-
Operating Transfers	-	-	-	-
Total Expenditures	\$389,141	\$336,230	\$484,620	\$479,252
Expenditures By Funds				
General Revenue	342,853	331,008	404,620	429,252
Federal Funds	46,288	5,222	80,000	50,000
Total Expenditures	\$389,141	\$336,230	\$484,620	\$479,252
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	25.0%	25.0%	25.0%	25.0%
Persons with Disabilities as a Percentage of the Workforce	-	-	-	-
Program Measures				
Cumulative Grade Point Average for Recruit Classes	92.7%	92.4%	93.3%	93.3%