

## GREENE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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TO: Whom It May Concern

FROM: Sergeant Marriott

DATE: February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021

SUBJECT: 2020 training and Accreditation overview

During 2020, the Greene County Sheriff's Office completed over 40 hours of in-service training.

This training consisted of both mandatory training and electives. Training included:

- Anti-Bias Training
- De-Escalation Training
- Harassment Training
- Use of Force Training
- Bail Reform Legal Updates
- Legal Discovery Updates
- Stop the Bleed Training
- CPR/AED Re-Certification
- Plain Clothes Encounters Training
- Firearms Training
- Evidence Collection and Photography Training
- Policy and Procedure Update Training
- Community Interaction, Civil Policy Updates and Training

The Greene County Sheriff's Office has enrolled in a voluntary program called the New York State Law Enforcement Agency Accreditation Program. This program provides our agency with a mechanism to evaluate and improve the overall effectiveness of our agency and the performance of our staff.

Accreditation status by the State is recognition that our policies and practices meet or exceed the standards established by the Law Enforcement Agency Accreditation Council. This Accreditation status is also a factor reviewed during applications for State and Federal grants and funding.

The accreditation program consists of 110 standards broken down into three categories; Administration, Training and Operations. The standards give guidelines and require that our agencies

policies meet or exceed the standard, and shows documentation of compliance with the policy. This documentation and compliance must be continuously documented to maintain accreditation status. Documentation is achieved by updating policies yearly, filing copies of documents showing agency compliance to all standards. Documentation schedules for each standard varies from monthly, quarterly to yearly. Any break in compliance of a standard must be reported to the state. Any policy changes, purchases, handling of monies, evidence collection and storage, day to day activities of Deputies and virtually all other facets of our agency must be in compliance with all standards. An initial assessment of our agency policy was conducted by an Accreditation Assessor. Once our policies were found to be in compliance, the assessor did an on-site assessment. This consisted of interviewing Deputies and command staff, viewing our facilities and seeing our day to day activities to verify they mirror our policies and are in compliance with the standards. Once this was completed, the Assessor wrote a letter of recommendation for our agency to be accredited. Our agency has passed all requirements and is now awaiting the next meeting of the Accreditation Council this March. Our agency will be officially accredited during this meeting. Once approved, our agency will be reassessed every five years to verify compliance.

The 2020 Training Curriculum Summary is viewable by clicking here.