



# CITY OF HAGERSTOWN MARYLAND

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## ACCREDITATION ASSESSMENT TEAM INVITES PUBLIC COMMENT

A team of assessors from the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA) will be conducting an assessment October 19-21, 2020, to examine all aspects of the Hagerstown Police Department's policies and procedures, management, operations and support services as part of the police department's continued efforts to maintain its accreditation.

The Hagerstown Police Department is part of a select group of law enforcement agencies who have demonstrated professional excellence by participating in the voluntary accreditation process. The purpose of this assessment is to ensure the Hagerstown Police Department continues to meet all applicable standards set forth by the Commission to achieve re-accreditation.

Due to the restrictions in place because of the COVID-19 crisis, a contingency plan for assessment activities has been developed to perform the required activities remotely. As such, public comment will be accepted as stated below.

Agency employees and members of the community are invited to provide comments to the CALEA Assessment Team at a virtual public information session on Zoom on Monday, October 19, 2020 at 6:00 pm.

To speak live during the virtual session, please send an email to [HPDaccreditation@hagerstownpd.org](mailto:HPDaccreditation@hagerstownpd.org) with the following information:

- First and Last Name,
- Email address, and
- If applicable, what community group, business, law enforcement agency or other organization you are representing.

Once the above information is received, you will receive an email containing the necessary login information to access the virtual information session.

Any person who is unable to speak at the virtual public information session but would still like to provide comments to the assessment team may do so by phone by calling 301-791-2530 on Tuesday, October 20, 2020 between 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. Calls will be accepted one at a time. Individuals should call back if they receive a busy signal.



Anyone wishing to provide comments to the assessors in writing may send an email to [caleaadmin@calea.org](mailto:caleaadmin@calea.org). Comments may also be mailed to: Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement, Inc., 13575 Heathcote Blvd., Suite 320, Gainesville, VA 20155.

Telephone comments as well as appearances at the virtual information session are limited to 10 minutes per person and must address the Agency's ability to comply with CALEA's standards. A copy of the standards manual is available at the Hagerstown Police Department and may be reviewed by contacting the Accreditation Manager at 301-739-8577, ext. 305.