



## FORT LAUDERDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS RELEASE

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### FLPD'S ACCREDITATION TEAM INVITES PUBLIC COMMENTS

On March 29, 2022, a team of assessors from the Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation (CFA) will arrive in Fort Lauderdale to examine all aspects of the Fort Lauderdale Police Department's (FLPD) policies and procedures, management, operations, and support services. The Fort Lauderdale Police Department must comply with approximately 235 standards in order to remain accredited. Many of the standards are critical to life, health, safety issues, and best practices.

As part of the assessment, agency members and the general public are invited to offer comments to the assessment team. A copy of the standards manual is available from our Public Information Office at 954-828-5593.

For more information regarding CFA or for persons wishing to offer written comments about the Fort Lauderdale Police Department's ability to meet the standards of accreditation, please send correspondence to: CFA, P.O. Box 1489, Tallahassee, Florida, 32302, or email to [flaccreditation@fdle.state.fl.us](mailto:flaccreditation@fdle.state.fl.us).

The assessment team is composed of assessors from similar agencies. The assessors will review written materials, interview individuals, and visit offices and other areas where compliance can be observed. FLPD's Accrediation Program Manager is Farida Mohammed.

Once the Commission's assessors complete their review of the agency, they report to the full Commission, which then determines if the agency will remain accredited. Fort Lauderdale Police Department's accreditation is valid for three years. Verification by the team that Fort Lauderdale Police Department meets the Commission's standards is part of a voluntary process to gain or maintain accreditation—a highly prized recognition of professional excellence. The Fort Lauderdale Police Department has been accredited by the CFA since May 1998, and is currently a triple Excelsior Agency.

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