

LARGO POLICE DEPARTMENT CITIZEN OBSERVER PROGRAM APPLICATION

The Citizen Observer Program (C.O.P.) is designed to allow citizens a “behind the scenes” look at the Largo Police Department in action. It is our hope that the insight into the line operations of the department will be both informative and enjoyable. We want you to be fully aware of the conditions and circumstances under which this program operates:

1. You will be assigned to ride with a police officer of this department.
2. Police Officers can be and often are assigned duties which involve danger and serious risks.
3. While your safety is of concern, the police officer's first responsibility will be to carry out assigned duties.
4. The police officer you will accompany will be happy to discuss duties and responsibilities as time permits. If, however, some emergency should arise, you must immediately and without questions comply with any orders or directions given to you by the officer. It is for your own safety.
5. The duration of the ride is four (4) hours maximum.
6. No cameras or tape recorders are permitted to be used by riders.
7. Citizens are required to wear business attire in accordance with the city's dress code. Inappropriate attire (shorts, jeans, etc.) will not be accepted and the ride along will be canceled.
8. Citizens are not to leave the patrol car at the scene of police activity without first obtaining Permission from the officer you are assigned to.
9. Citizens will not any weapons or firearms.
10. The visitor's log, located at the front desk, will be signed prior to the beginning of the ride and the C.O.P. Badge will be worn during the duration of the ride.

Please complete this portion of the application and submit this form to the front desk for processing. PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY		
Name (First, Middle, Last):		
Address:		
Phone Number:	Date of Birth:	Race:
Occupation:		
Person to notify in case of emergency:		
Address:		Phone Number:
Are you currently an applicant at PASS? Yes ___ No ___		DL #:
Are you currently an applicant at the Largo Police Department? Yes ___ No ___		Social Security #:
Are you a citizen desiring to ride? Yes ___ No ___		
Purpose of Ride?		
Date and time citizen desires to ride?		

IN CONSIDERATION OF the permission which I have received to accompany one or more police agents of the Police Department of Largo, Florida, a municipal corporation, in the course of his or her duty, I the undersigned, do by these present, release the City of Largo, its police agents, public officials, agents, servants and employees from all liability, claims, demands, actions and cause of action, which may hereafter have on account of any and all injuries and damage to me or my property, or my death, arising out of or relating to any happening or occurrence while I am accompanying any agent or agents of the Largo Police Department on duty, or incidental hereto, and for the same consideration, I promise to release, and covenant not to sue the said city and the said persons, and agree to forever hold them and each of them harmless from any such liability, claims, demands, actions and causes of actions.

The terms hereof shall be of full force and effect on the date hereof and on any other occasions when I may hereafter accompany any Largo Police agent or agents.

I have read and understand the conditions of this program as stated above and hereby voluntarily assume all risks of loss, damage or injury to me or my property, including death, which may be sustained while a passenger of the city vehicle or incidental to accompanying one or more Largo Police agents while on duty.

This release and agreement shall be binding upon me and my heirs, executors, administrators, personal representatives and assigns, and shall inure to benefit of the said city, agents, public officials and persons herein designated, and their heirs, executors, administrators, person representatives, assigns, and successors in office.

Date this _____ day of _____, 20__.

PRINTED NAME: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

Are you an assigned applicant rider for an observation ride along? Yes ___ No ___
 Are you a current member of the Largo Police Department's V.I.P. Program? Yes ___ No ___

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I. MAJOR'S APPROVAL:		
Application Approved by:		Date:
II. COMMUNICATIONS CENTER:		
Records Check Status – Negative:	History on File:	Initials:
III. PATROL SERVICES BUREAU:		
Citizen Assigned to (Officer's Name):		
Date Citizen Rode:		Shift:
Sgt's. Approval:	Shift Commander's Approval:	
Comments:		