

Murfreesboro Police Department

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MPD Attains Accreditation with the Tennessee Law Enforcement Accreditation Program

Representatives from the Tennessee Association of Chiefs of Police (TACP) will attend the Murfreesboro City Council meeting tonight at 7:00p.m. to present City Officials with the 1st Award of Accreditation for the Murfreesboro Police Department.

The MPD successfully completed a self-assessment process in which staff reviewed and updated existing policies and created new policies as required by the accreditation standards. An on-site assessment was then conducted in June of this year. The assessment team visited the police department and examined all aspects of the department's policies, management, operations and support services. Following the on-site assessment, which included interviews with department employees, the team confirmed that the department was in compliance with all 160 Tennessee Law Enforcement Accreditation (TLEA) program standards.

Based on recommendations from the assessment team and the TACP Professional Standards Committee, the TACP Board of Directors approved our accreditation at the July 2013 Annual Conference. To remain accredited, the department must maintain compliance with the applicable standards and undergo a new TLEA assessment every three years.

The department's accreditation team consisted of Major Anita Flagg, Sergeant Kyle Evans, Officer Amy Dean and prior to his retirement, Major Hiram Lester. Sgt. Evans will continue as the Accreditation Manager.

Chief of Police Glenn Chrisman stated: "With the support of City management, this team, along with City Attorney Susan McGannon and Staff Attorney Kelley Baker worked for months reviewing hundreds of pages of documents. I am very proud of the hard work of the accreditation team. TLEA Accreditation is a symbol of law enforcement excellence and of our ongoing commitment to create a better quality of life for citizens and visitors by providing outstanding public safety services for the City of Murfreesboro."

