## Punta Gorda Police Department Receives Excelsior Reaccreditation



In April of 2019 the Punta Gorda Police Department hosted a team of assessors from the Commission on Law Enforcement Accreditation (CFA). Law enforcement accreditation is the certification by an independent reviewing authority that the police department is in compliance with approximately 240 prescribed standards. These standards help to ensure that agencies are using best practices in their policies and procedures. Every three years accredited agencies undergo an assessment where all aspects of the police department are examined to ensure compliance.

On June 26, 2019, the Punta Gorda Police Department went in front of the CFA in Orlando, Florida, who voted unanimously to reaccredit the police department. As this was our seventh

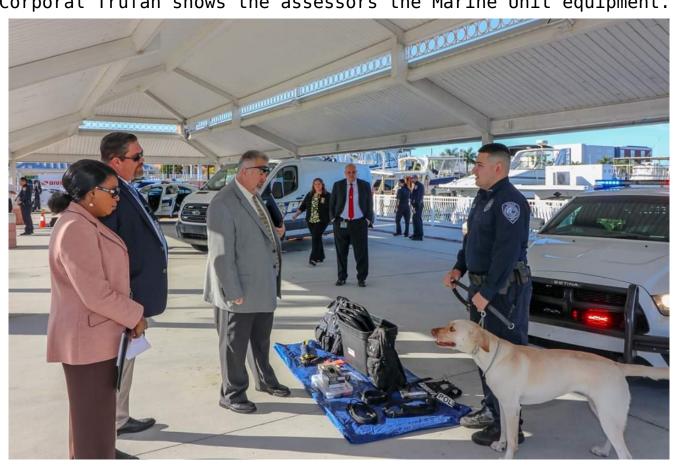
reaccreditation without conditions the department also received our third Excelsior Award. The police department was first accredited in 1998 and has remained accredited since that time. We believe that accreditation is important for the department and our community and are proud to be an Excelsior Agency.



Corporal Smith represents Uniformed Patrol during the static display.



Corporal Trufan shows the assessors the Marine Unit equipment.



Officer Gonzalez and K9 Skye talk about the Canine Unit.