

Punta Gorda Police Department Receives Eighth Reaccreditation and Fourth Excelsior Award



In April of 2022 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 235 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 16, 2022, 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 eighth reaccreditation without conditions the department also received our fourth 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.



Officer Richards and K9 Sasha represent the K9 Team during the static display.



Members of the Volunteer Bike Patrol discussed their equipment and services they provide the community.



Officer Gorman representing the Uniformed Patrol Section to the assessors.