



# CITIZENS ACADEMY



Madera Police Department offers a **CITIZENS ACADEMY** to those that reside or work in the City of Madera. The **CITIZENS ACADEMY** is designed to provide a better understanding of the department's operations as well as the Madera County criminal justice system.

Representatives of Madera Police Department will teach on:

- Narcotics
- Gangs
- Police dispatching
- Investigations
- Patrol
- SWAT
- Other related topics

The academy is open to any adult (18+) who does not have a felony conviction or pending criminal actions, and who lives or works in Madera. Applicants also must undergo a brief criminal history check.

**Classes will be held at the Madera Police Department, Thursday evenings 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm twice a year for 13 weeks in spring and fall.**

Class size is limited to 22 persons. Citizens Academy participants are allowed to miss up to two classes and still receive their Certificate of Completion. Any participant who misses more than two classes will be dropped from the program. Those interested please call Soledad Fernandez at (559)675-4203, and provide your name, address, and telephone number in order for additional information to be forwarded to you.