



# BELOIT POLICE DEPARTMENT



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### **BELOIT, WISCONSIN – CHIEF JACOBS ANNOUNCES ACCREDITATION ASSESSMENT TEAM INVITES PUBLIC COMMENT**

BELOIT, WI – Today, Chief Norm Jacobs announced that a team of assessors from the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA), will arrive March 22, 2015 to examine all aspects of the Beloit Police Department's policy and procedures, management, operations and support services.

Chief Jacobs states, "Verification by the team that the Beloit Police Department meets the Commission's state-of-the-art standards is part of a voluntary process to gain accreditation – a highly prized recognition of law enforcement professional excellence. The Department has successfully gone through six assessments since 1992."

As part of the on-site assessment, agency employees and members of the community are invited to offer comments at a public information session Monday, March 23, 2015 starting at 3:00pm in the City Hall Forum located at 100 State Street.

If for some reason an individual cannot speak at the public information session, but would still like to provide comments to the assessment team, he/she may do so by telephone. The public may call (608) 364-6808 on Monday, March 23, 2015, between the hours of 12:30pm and 2:30pm.

Telephone comments as well as appearances at the public information session are limited to 10 minutes and must address the agency's ability to comply with CALEA's standards. A copy of the standards is available at the Beloit Police Department. Local contact is Support Services Director Jillian Peterson, (608) 364-6818.

Persons wishing to offer written comments about the Beloit Police Department's ability to meet the standards for accreditation are requested to write: Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA), 13575 Heathcote Boulevard, Suite 320, Gainesville, Virginia 20155.