## CALEA TRI-ARC Award

2010, the St. Louis County Police In Department earned the coveted Tri-Arc Award, an award given to agencies that have achieved the highest level of accreditation in all three assessment areas (Law Enforcement, Communications and Training). This honor made the St. Louis County Police Department one of only six agencies internationally to hold the award and the first in the State of Missouri at that time. In 2015, the Department was awarded advanced law enforcement. CMPA and communication accreditation.

The Board of Police Commissioners and the Chief of Police are committed to the continued improvement of our Department. As such, we are committed to CALEA accreditation for the St. Louis County Police Department.

# **Police Services**

Resources	
Emergency	911
Non-Emergency	636-529-8210
TTY Hearing Impaired	636-529-8220 or 911
Precincts	
North County	314-615-4297
Central County	314-615-0111
Affton-Southwest	314-638-5550
South County	314-615-0162
City of Fenton	636-349-8120
City of Wildwood	636-458-9194
West County	636-225-0425
City of Jennings	314-385-4672
Important Phone Numbers	
Bureau of Research and Analysis	314-615-7228



The St. Louis County Police Department is interested in citizen's opinions about our agency and its employees. Please visit the website below and take our survey. www.stlouiscountypolice.com/citizen-

resources/citizen-satisfaction-survey/



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# CALEA Accreditation Process



St. Louis County Police Department 7900 Forsyth Boulevard St. Louis, Missouri 63105

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#### What is CALEA

The Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) is a voluntary, non-government agency formed in 1979 by the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP), the National Organization of Black Law (NOBLE), Enforcement Executives the National Sheriffs' Association (NSA), and the Police Executive Research Forum (PERF) to create a professional level of service offered by local law enforcement agencies. The commission members have diverse backgrounds: judges, law en-forcement administrators, educators, legislators and lawyers from areas through-out North America who have come together to formulate these standards.

# How does CALEA Affect the Police Department

CALEA has set "standards" with which the department must comply. The standards outlined by CALEA do not set hard rules that define policy and procedures. Instead, they set a framework within which the Department defines its own policy and procedures to achieve and maintain professional standards. By continually reviewing and updating written directives, the department not only ensures, but continues to meet these professional standards. You can review current policies website: Department on our www.StLouisCountyPolice.com.

## What Accreditation?

The benefits of international accreditation are numerous, and successful accreditation reflects not only on our Department but also on the men and women who make our Department succeed every day. Accreditation provides the following benefits:

- Increased capability to prevent, control and reduce crime;
- Increased efficiency and effectiveness in the delivery of both emergency and nonemergency and law enforcement programs and services;
- Increased cooperation and coordination with other law enforcement agencies; and
- Increased citizen and employee confidence in the goals, objectives, policies and practices of the Department.

CALEA accreditation provides our Department and its members with recognition of their professionalism. In addition, accreditation provides our Department a framework within which it can continue to improve the programs and services offered to the citizens of St. Louis County. Through accreditation, our Department will continue to provide St. Louis County with the professional leadership the community has come to expect and depend upon.

## The Accreditation Process

On November 21, 1998, the Department was awarded a Certificate of Accreditation by CALEA, having fully demonstrated our voluntary commitment to law enforcement excellence. Since then, every three years our Department has been reviewed for reaccreditation.

This process begins with a period of selfassessment. During this time, the agency compares procedures, policies and actions with the professional standards adopted by After completion of this self-CALEA. assessment, a team of CALEA assessors, who are also law enforcement professionals, visit the Department and review policies, procedures and documentation. This ensures the department continues to meet and operate by the letter and spirit of the professional standards adopted by CALEA. As part of this on-site assessment, agency employees and members of the community are invited to offer comments to the CALEA assessment team at a public information session, by phone or by mail.

Following the on-site visit, a report reflecting compliance with all applicable standards and on-site activities is prepared by the assessment team and submitted to the CALEA Commission. A hearing is then scheduled with members of the Commission, whereupon the report is reviewed. If satisfied that the department has met all compliance requirements, the Commission awards the Department a Certificate of Accreditation, which, as of 2016, is now for a period of four years.

