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**RE-ACCREDITATION ON-SITE, PUBLIC INFORMATION SESSION**

***MEDIA RELEASE***

The Oshkosh Police Department is proud to announce their re-accreditation On-Site Assessment on August 17 - 20, 2014. This assessment is being conducted by an Accreditation Team from the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA). The purpose of the On-Site is to re-examine the Oshkosh Police Department and our compliance to over 459 professional standards of Law Enforcement. The Oshkosh Police Department obtained initial accreditation in 1994.

The CALEA Accreditation program requires police agencies to comply with professional standards and best police practices in areas including Policy and Procedures, Organizational Management, Law Enforcement Operations and Support Services.

As part of the On-Site Assessment, agency and community members are invited to offer comments at a public information session on Monday August 18, 2014 at 6:00 PM. This session will be held in Room 406 of the Oshkosh City Hall located at 215 Church Avenue in Oshkosh.

Agency and community members may also offer comments by calling the accreditation assessment team at 920-379-3537 on Monday August 18, 2014 between the hours of 1:00 PM and 3:00 PM.

Comments made at the Public Information session or by telephone are limited to 10 minutes and must address the Oshkosh Police Department's ability to comply with the standards developed by CALEA. The standards can be examined at the Oshkosh Police Department by contacting Lt. Kevin Konrad at (920) 236-5758. Voice mail is available if Lt. Konrad is not able to take your call.

Anyone wishing to submit written comments concerning the Oshkosh Police Department's ability to comply with the standards for accreditation may send them to: The Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement, Inc. (CALEA) 13575 Heathcote Boulevard, Suite 320 Gainesville, VA 20155.

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