

RIVERSIDE COUNTY PROBATION DEPARTMENT

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Course Title: (Lesson Domain #03: Principled Policing in the Community)

Hours of Instruction: 2

Course Objectives:

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- a) Define community policing
- b) Identify the essential components of community policing, including:
 - 1. Problem solving
 - 2. Addressing quality of life issues
 - 3. Partnerships with the community
 - 4. Partnerships with other agencies
 - 5. Internal and external resources
- c) Identify community policing goals, including:
 - 1. Reducing/preventing crime
 - 2. Reducing the fear of crime
 - 3. Improving the quality of life
 - 4. Increasing community:
 - a. Awareness
 - b. Involvement
 - c. Ownership
 - 5. Increasing local government involvement in problem solving
- d) Discuss community policing philosophy
- e) Discuss the history of policing methods, including:
 - 1. Traditional

- 2. Professional
- 3. Community
- f) Identify peace officer responsibilities in the community, including:
 - 1. Maintaining order
 - 2. Enforcing the law
 - 3. Preventing crime
 - 4. Delivering service
 - 5. Educating and learning from the community
 - 6. Working with the community to solve problems
- g) Differentiate between proactive and reactive policing
- h) Discuss community expectations of peace officers
- i) Recognize peace officers' responsibilities to enforce the law, including:
 - 1. Adhering to all levels of the law
 - 2. Fair and impartial enforcement
 - 3. Knowing the patrol beat or area of responsibility
- j) Identify the elements of area/beat knowledge, including:
 - 1. Critical Sites
 - 2. Locations requiring special attention, i.e., hot spots
 - 3. Potentially dangerous areas
- k) Discuss current and emerging issues that can impact the delivery of services by peace officers
- 1) Identify the components that comprise communities
- m) Discuss opportunities where peace officers educate and learn from community members
- Identify resources which provide opportunities to educate and learn from the community, including:
 - 1. Community forums
 - 2. Community advisory groups
- o) Recognize a peace officer's role in influencing community attitudes

p) Discuss government expectations of law enforcement and peace officers

II.

- a) Define community partnerships
- b) Discuss the key elements for developing trust between community partners, including:
 - 1. Truth
 - 2. Respect
 - 3. Understanding
 - 4. Support
 - 5. Teamwork
- c) Discuss the relationship of ethics to the badge of office
- d) Identify the essential partnering skills, including:
 - 1. Leadership
 - 2. Communication
 - 3. Facilitation
 - 4. Community mobilization
- e) Discuss leadership skills in community policing
- f) Define communication
- g) Recognize the components of a message in communications with others, including:
 - 1. Content (words)
 - 2. Voice characteristics
 - 3. Nonverbal signals
- h) Recognize the potential effects of negative nonverbal signals
- i) Give examples of effective communication techniques for
 - 1. Active listening
 - 2. Establishing effective lines of communication
 - 3. Overcoming barriers to communication

- j) Discuss the communication techniques that can be used for obtaining voluntary compliance
- k) Define facilitation
- 1) Discuss the components of the facilitation process, including:
 - 1. Being familiar with the issues
 - 2. Establishing meeting guidelines
 - 3. Stating meeting purpose, scope, and need
 - 4. Stating and clarifying objectives
 - 5. Prioritizing competing problems and issues
 - 6. Identifying potential solutions
- m) Apply facilitation techniques reflecting professional behavior, including:
 - 1. Maintaining the focus on the issues and stimulating discussion
 - 2. Displaying interest in the issues
 - 3. Leading the group toward problem resolution
 - 4. Helping participants learn from the problem-solving experience
 - 5. Dealing calmly and respectfully with unexpected incidents
 - 6. Maintaining objectivity
- n) Give examples of obstacles that officers may encounter when developing community partnership
- o) Define community mobilization
- p) Discuss the elements of the community mobilization process, including:
 - 1. Getting people involved
 - 2. Identifying community resources (skills)
 - 3. Calling for action
 - 4. Educating the public
 - 5. Taking responsibilities for public safety and quality of life
 - 6. Sustaining effort
- q) Discuss community mobilization methods

- r) Discuss the benefits of maintaining a positive relationship with the news media
- s) Discuss the components of a community inventory, including:
 - 1. Partners
 - 2. Stakeholders
 - 3. Community collaboration
- t) Define homeland security
- u) Identify the benefits of integrating community mobilization and homeland security

III.

- a) Define the term "problem"
- b) Identify the elements of the crime triangle, including:
 - 1. Victim
 - 2. Offender
 - 3. Location
- c) Discuss the Broken Windows Theory
- d) Define problem solving
- e) Distinguish between Problem Oriented Policing (POP) and Community Policing (CP)
- f) Define and discuss a problem-solving strategy
- g) Apply a problem-solving strategy
- h) Define crime prevention
- i) Identify crime prevention strategies
- j) Give examples of crime risk factors
- k) Identify methods for recognizing crime problems
- 1) Define Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED)
- m) Identify the principles of Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED)
 - 1. Natural surveillance
 - 2. Access control
 - 3. Territorial reinforcements

- 4. Image
- n) Discuss crime prevention programs within the community

IV.

- a) Define principled policing
- b) Discuss principled policing, to include:
 - 1. Implicit and explicit bias
 - 2. Procedural justice
 - 3. Legitimacy
 - 4. Historical events
- c) Identify the four tenets of procedural justice
 - 1. Voice
 - 2. Neutrality
 - 3. Respect
 - 4. Trustworthiness
- d) Discuss the potential benefits of procedural justice for law enforcement and the community, including:
 - 1. Improved safety
 - 2. Reduced stress
 - 3. Fewer complaints
 - 4. Increased cooperation
 - 5. Improved community relations
 - 6. Reduced crime
- e) Discuss the application of procedural justice to the law enforcement mission

V.

- a) Discuss the impact of historical and current events and how they affect community perspectives
- b) Discuss the concept of a community "bank account" (perspective) and its:
 - 1. Deposits

- 2. Withdrawals
- c) Discuss cynicism and its impact on law enforcement and the community, to include:
 - 1. Community cynicism
 - 2. Peace officer cynicism

VI.

- a) Discuss implicit bias, to include:
 - 1. Definition
 - 2. Sources
- b) Distinguish between implicit and explicit bias
- c) Discuss how implicit bias may influence decision making and procedural justice