



JOINING THE VOLUNTEERS ON PATROL

The City of Cerritos encourages citizens to join Volunteers on Patrol as they help make their community a safer place to live and work. Work performed by Volunteers on Patrol participants allows Sheriff's Deputies to concentrate on more critical issues. To join the Volunteers on Patrol, call the volunteer coordinator at the Cerritos Sheriff's Station at (562)860-0044.



Citizens of Cerritos who would like to help maintain the high quality of life in their Community are invited to participate in Volunteers on Patrol.

Volunteers on Patrol is a program of the Cerritos Sheriff's Station/Community Safety Center which allows community members to become trained volunteers for the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.



What's INVOLVED

Cerritos benefits from Volunteers on Patrol participants as they contribute their time and skills to the Cerritos Sheriff's Station by performing a variety of tasks, including:

- Residential vacation checks
- Monitor areas for graffiti
- Assist with traffic/crowd control
- Security checks of parks and schools
- Conducting business watches



TRAINING

The law enforcement service provided by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department is enhanced by the efforts of Volunteers on Patrol. Volunteers provide valuable information to the Cerritos deputies based on their observations and interaction with the community. To participate, volunteers must be at least 18 years old.

Extensive classroom and field training for Volunteers on Patrol is provided by the Cerritos Sheriff's Station/Community Safety Center.

After completing their training, volunteers are assigned to the Cerritos Sheriff's Station to patrol within the station's service areas.

PARTICIPANTS RECEIVE TRAINING IN THESE AREAS:



- Driver's training
- Radio communications
- Civil liability
- General law
- Station desk operations
- Sheriff's Department policies and procedures
- Ride-along with a Sheriff's Deputy

EQUIPMENT

A uniform consisting of a shirt, patches and pants is required of all Volunteers on Patrol participants. Volunteers are provided with a county vehicle which is equipped with a radio for communication.

VOLUNTEER HOURS

Volunteers on Patrol participants are asked to work a minimum of sixteen hours per month. They are welcome to work on any day of the week, and during day or evening hours, whichever is more convenient for them.