



# PORT HUENEME POLICE DEPARTMENT POLICE EXPLORER PROGRAM



## ***What is a Police Explorer?***

A Police Explorer is a young adult who has a desire to learn about law enforcement as a career through firsthand experience. An Explorer has the opportunity to learn all aspects and functions of the Police Department. This program also offers experience in patrol officer's functions through the ride-along program.

The Explorer Program is sponsored by the Boy Scouts of America. The purpose of the program is to build good character and citizenship in six experience areas.

- Career experience
- Leadership responsibilities
- Mental and Physical Fitness
- Service to others
- Social values and skills
- Outdoors appreciation



The Port Hueneme Police Department Explorer Post provides an opportunity for young adults to experience first hand how a police department functions and what it takes to get started with a challenging career in law enforcement. Explorers are taught criminal law, report writing, radio codes, traffic control, first-aid, police procedures and other basic techniques. Explorers perform a variety of community services, such as crowd control at parades, festivals, and special events.



Explorer involved in a traffic stop.

The program is open to young adults between the ages of 14 and 21 years. The program is associated with Learning for Life, Boy Scouts of America. A young adult can apply by filling out a City Application. The Program allows the young adults to see how the various divisions of the Police Department function. They also get to ride along with Police Officers on patrol and help other law enforcement agencies with special projects and events.

## ***Requirements:***

- Must be between the ages of 14 and 21.
- Pass a preliminary background investigation.
- Have at least a "C" average and maintain it through the 12th grade.
- Have no record of serious arrests or convictions.
- Attend and graduate from the Explorer Academy.
- Pass an oral interview.
- Demonstrate a willingness to serve and participate in Explorer activities.

If accepted into the program, the young adult attends a Police Explorer Academy for three weeks during the summer. During the three weeks the young adult is trained in various courses such as accident investigations, traffic control, crime scene investigations and criminal law.

***Who should you contact?***

Explorer Program Advisors

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Applications may be obtained and downloaded through the City of Port Hueneme Website at: **<http://www.ci.port-hueneme.ca.us>**