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TRAINING ANNOUNCEMENT Independent Police Academy

The Miami-Dade Public Safety Training Institute (MDPSTI) is now accepting applications for the Independent Police Academy (IPA). The program offers the State of Florida Basic Law Enforcement training curriculum for individuals hired and/or sponsored by a law enforcement agency, as well as to private citizens wishing to become certified.

The IPA delivers a complete training experience, providing a combination of both classroom instruction and practical skills training. A trainee must demonstrate proficiency and successfully complete all mandatory training elements of the program in order to take the State of Florida certification examination.

The MDPSTI's first IPA will commence at a future date to be announced, although an anticipated starting date has been set for January 2012.

Tuition for this program is approximately \$5,000.00, which includes the cost of an initial background and fingerprint check (required by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement), a physical agilities test, books and training materials, uniforms, gear, equipment, facility use fees, and the State Examination Fee. In addition to tuition, students will also be responsible for the payment of fees for a polygraph test, a medical examination, a psychological evaluation and an FDLE approved Basic Abilities Test (BAT), prior to acceptance into the program.

Registration packets can be downloaded by <u>clicking here</u>. Registration packets may also be picked up, in person, at the Miami-Dade Public Safety Training Institute, 9601 N.W. 58 Street, Building 100, Doral, Florida, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. **Completed applications must be submitted in person by the deadline date of Friday, September 23, 2011.**

Applicants who have submitted their application packages, along with successful completion of an FDLE approved Basic Abilities Test, prior to the deadline and who have passed an initial background screening will be contacted and notified in order to attend a future Orientation session to be held at the the MDPSTI Campus.

For more information, please visit the Independent Police Academy page or contact:

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