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City to host 3rd annual Mayor's Youth Summer Police & Fire Academy

EAST PROVIDENCE, RI – The City of East Providence, together with the East Bay Community Action Program, is seeking participants for its third annual Mayor's Youth Summer Police & Fire Academy.

“This is an amazing opportunity for the city to provide understanding and knowledge to our youth of first responders and the work they do each day,” Mayor Bob DaSilva said. “We hope this type of program ignites a desire in our youth to serve our community as first responders either as a firefighter or police officer.”

The 2021 Mayor's Youth Summer Police & Fire Academy will host 12 participants (ages 14-24). The location is to be determined but participants will report to the East Providence Youth Center located at 31 Grove Ave. for transportation.

The academy will be held on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. beginning on Monday, July 19, 2021 and will conclude on Wednesday, August 18, 2021. Each participant will receive a \$250 stipend for their participation in the academy.

The academy will focus on fire suppression equipment, Emergency Medical Services, Haz-Mat activities, the EPFD's Marine Unit, CSI investigations, Detectives, Dispatch and much more.

“The East Bay Community Action Program (EBCAP) is proud to implement the third annual Mayor’s Police and Fire Academy,” EBCAP CEO Dennis Roy said. “This program helps youth gain exposure to the fields of law enforcement and fire science, while also developing employability and leadership skills.”

“It’s a good opportunity for the youths of our great City to learn about the inner workings of the Fire Department and a possible future career in firefighting,” East Providence Fire Chief Glenn J. Quick said. “This is our third Jr. Fire Academy, all have been very successful, with lots of interesting evolutions, including many outstanding reviews from past recipients.”

“We are looking forward to providing a better hands-on experience for the students enrolled in this academy now that some of the COVID restrictions have been lifted,” East Providence Police Chief William C. Nebus said. “Hopefully we can nurture a new group of police and fire employees for the years ahead while providing an inside look into the two professions.”

Interested youth who would like to register or learn more about the program, should email Colleen Conley at cconley@ebcap.org.