

My name is Kani Lott, I recently completed the 2021 Citizen's Academy. I was so inspired and appreciative of the police department taking time out of their days to make the classes the best as possible, filled with a ton of information, always willing to answer any questions we came up with, and willingly making us as comfortable as possible. I think this class in total is a HUGE benefit to the community, I learned so many more things about what is expected and what the duty of a police officer is, what different crimes occur in areas, what to be able to look for to keep others and ourselves safe, and gain a huge respect for what our local law enforcement has to deal with. Rich has dedicated so much of his time to prefect these classes, give us up to date and accurate information, make sure everyone is included and fully engaged, and always catering to what is best for the class.

This class fully immerses you into how you fulfill your duties, how different scenarios would be handled, how to protect ourselves, and a lot of the legal logistics of what a law enforcement officer incurs with certain stops and calls. The class is amazing because every class is different! From how to write a police report, how traffic stops are made, building clearance and firearm safety, how to map out a crime scene, virtual simulations of real life police calls/stops, and so much more. I absolutely, without a doubt, enjoyed every day of class we had. I think Rich and all of the awesome officers who helped make this possible are really making a difference in the community!

Please consider keeping this course because you really are building a lasting relationship with folks in the community, helping them stay alert and feel safe to report crime and incidents that will make the city safer, and causing an amazing opportunity for someone to decide on making a career in law enforcement in turn helping keep more people safe and aware. Here in Santaquin, we are so lucky to have the most dedicated and personable officers to protect and enforce the laws here. As a city council assembly, I ask you to please keep this class open for many more years to come. Your city is truly benefiting from this program. Thank you for your time today, God Bless.

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The Citizens academy was a super awesome and beneficial way for me and for other peers to get to know and build a relationship with the Santaquin Police Dept. Especially for me because they helped me out on questions I had about what to expect on going into the real police academy when I get to that point. So I appreciate all the officers and Rich and the Chief to put this all together and make it easy to understand, fun, and beneficial.

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