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# **NEWS RELEASE**

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## **Dubuque Police Department Reaccredited**

DUBUQUE, Iowa – The Dubuque Police Department was first accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) in 1993. The department is reviewed on a regular basis (currently a three-year cycle) for compliance with CALEA's 489 standards. An on-site department review with CALEA assessors occurred March 20-23, 2016, and on July 30, 2016, representatives of the Dubuque Police Department appeared in front of a panel of CALEA commissioners for a panel review. Later that evening, the Dubuque Police Department received its eighth accreditation from CALEA at its conference in Baltimore, Md.

The Dubuque Police Department was Iowa's first accredited agency and is therefore also Iowa's longest accredited agency. Accreditation through compliance with CALEA's state-of-the-art standards of professionalism is part of a voluntary process to gain advanced law enforcement accreditation, a highly prized recognition of law enforcement professional excellence.

Additional information on CALEA and the accreditation process can be located on their website at [www.calea.org](http://www.calea.org).

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