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SUBJECT: Painesville City Police Department Granted Provisional State of Ohio Collaborative for Policing Certification

PAINESVILLE CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT GRANTED PROVISIONAL STATE OF OHIO COLLABORATIVE FOR POLICING CERTIFICATION

Painesville, OH: The Painesville City Police Department has been granted *provisional* approval for the State of Ohio Collaborative for Policing certification. 161 agencies submitted for approval, 96 submitted the compliance documentation and a total of 48 agencies have received *provisional* approval and 28 agencies have received *final* approval. Only 17% of the state police agencies have either applied for or been granted certification through the state. A final “on- site” review will be coming soon.

The certification process involves a full review of policies including our Use of Force policies; training methods including Use of Force training; policies compliance and dissemination; how we investigate any use of force involving our officers; recruitment, selection and hiring; testing; results of our efforts; and how we plan to grow the program and maintain the best practice in this area. Prior to 2014, the Painesville City Police Department had no policy in place for recruitment, therefore obtaining compliance in this area is a huge accomplishment!

We continue to grow as an agency and improve our operations every day for the benefit of the safety and welfare of our residents!!!

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