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2018 HSI Los Angeles Citizens Academy Seeking Nominations for Participants

HSI Los Angeles will be hosting a fall 2018 Citizens Academy. This program will provide selected participants with a unique opportunity to get an inside look at Homeland Security Investigations, while bolstering relationships to enhance agency and community relations. The eight week academy will be held once a week from September 26 – November 14, with one tentative Saturday class on October 27. Classes will generally be in the late afternoon/early evening hours. Participants will be exposed to a broad range of HSI investigative areas including narcotics, money laundering, airport and seaport operations, immigration violations, export violations, computer crimes, and trade fraud, as well as use of force and other policy issues. Each academy week will be hosted by a different investigative group and will include subject overview and a hands-on training exercise.

HSI Los Angeles personnel are asked to provide nominees from the community to attend the inaugural academy, which will include 12-15 participants. Prospective participants will be interviewed, and asked to complete a detailed questionnaire, which also grants HSI permission to conduct a background investigation vetting all candidates. Additionally, participants will be asked to commit to attending all eight weeks of the program. The selected participants will be notified in early September.

The nomination and selection of key community partners will help provide a tangible appreciation for the agency and the important work you all do to protect our nation. It will also provide participants with an understanding of the daily challenges faced by HSI, while demonstrating the collaborative efforts required to accomplish the mission. HSI Los Angeles is seeking participants from diverse perspectives. Some examples of possible nominations include: port authority personnel, bank investigators, immigrant rights advocates, trafficking NGO representative, trademark holders, and media personnel. Working together with a broad array of community members will hopefully promote dialogue, build awareness and provide additional avenues for reporting violations of law.

The classes will be held in rotating locations in the Los Angeles/Long Beach area. Participants are welcome to attend from the outlying counties, but they need to be committed to driving to the scheduled location. Before nominating potential participants, please make sure they are interested in attending the program and are willing to commit to the completion of the entire course.

Completed nomination forms should be sent to ASAC (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) no later than **Friday, August 17**. If you have additional questions regarding this program, or would like to participate on the Citizen's Academy team, please contact ASAC (b)(6); (b)(7)(C) @ice.dhs.gov , (202) 446-(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)