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CITIZENS ASSISTING PLANO POLICE PROGRAM

On September 1, 2006, the Plano Police Department, in partnership with the Plano Police Citizen Alumni Association, will implement the first phase of a newly formed citizen patrol unit. This special unit will be called "Citizens Assisting Plano Police" (CAPP). The unit is composed of a group of non-sworn law enforcement volunteers who will assist Plano Police Officers with designated, non-confrontational activities.

The idea of utilizing citizen patrol units has been around for many years. Active in almost every state, it is estimated that the number of units currently exceeds 75,000 nationwide. These trained volunteers assist their local police departments with minor violations allowing police officers to concentrate on other aspects of their job.

If you are interested in assisting your police department and community as a CAPP volunteer, please contact the Crime Prevention Unit of the Plano Police Department at 972-941-2432 for more information.

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