



# MARION COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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## Community Advisory Committee Application Packet

One of the core functions of the Marion County Sheriff's Office is to continue to work collaboratively with our community with an emphasis on crime prevention, problem solving, and responsiveness to community needs for public safety.

To assist us in achieving this function, the Sheriff's Office created a Community Advisory Committee. We are currently seeking **ONE** non-paid volunteer applicant from the communities within Marion County. The committee meets four times per year and consists of at least 10 but no more than 15 members representing the diversity that exists within Marion County.

If you are interested, the first step of the process is filling out the application and sending it in to the address listed at the bottom of the application. The Sheriff's Office will conduct a background check on all applicants and will then interview qualified applicants.

The ideal candidate will represent not only his/her own opinions but must be willing and able to facilitate the exchange of information between the Sheriff's Office and the community. Our expectation is that members will take the information from the meetings back to the community to seek input from other community members and then share that information with the advisory committee. It is important that applicants understand that this committee is advisory in nature. Any recommendations made by the committee are not binding and may or may not be implemented by the Sheriff's Office.

The Marion County Sheriff's Office Community Advisory Committee is not a review board. The committee does not exist to provide advice on topics such as use of force incidents, employee discipline, personnel issues, policy, or procedure. The committee exists to help identify community concerns related to public safety service and livability issues and then provide recommendations to the Sheriff's Office that will help enhance our community.

We value the ideas of the members within the community and sincerely hope that this committee will give a voice to all members of the community. The advisory committee serves several purposes including allowing community members to be heard, educating the community on the services provided by our office, improving the relationship between the Sheriff's Office and the community, encouraging diverse groups within the county to interact in a positive way, and creating a better and safer community.

If you are interested in participating, please take the time to fill out the attached application. Please answer the three questions at the end as carefully and thoughtfully as possible as that will greatly assist our office in selecting the best candidates. Should you need additional space to answer the questions, feel free to attach additional sheets of paper to the application.

The application deadline will be February 7th, 2012, or until sufficient applications have been submitted. If you have additional questions, please email Deputy Heath Nelson at [hnelson@co.marion.or.us](mailto:hnelson@co.marion.or.us)