



Dear Interested Community Member,

It is with much excitement and anticipation that the Neighborhood Services Division announces the release of applications for the upcoming **2017 City Management Academy (CMA)**.

CMA is a 15-week, civic engagement and educational program offered by the City of Sacramento through the Neighborhood Services Division, in partnership with CMA Alumni, City staff, and other community stakeholders. This program provides a rare and critical opportunity to hear firsthand from City of Sacramento department leadership, their staff, and elected officials on how City operates, their goals and objectives, the services they provide and their process for engaging and informing the public.

The City team that designed the City Management Academy, did so with the intentions of creating a training experience that encourages program participants to develop stronger communication and partnerships between the City of Sacramento, its residents and business owners to establish, revitalize, and promote healthy communities. The CMA Alumni are a vital component to the existence for the CMA program. Their exceptional support, insight, time, and management of weekly-sessions are what makes this program so meaningful and useful to anyone interested in learning how to get more involved on a local level.

Since its 1995 inception, the City Management Academy has graduated **more than 515 participants!** Class participants are motivated to discuss challenges facing the City of Sacramento and learn about strategies used to address those concerns. Interactive learning is a staple of this educational experience which allows presenters and residents to share and learn from each other.

**IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2017 CITY MANAGEMENT ACADEMY:**

- Thursday, January 12, 2017***      Deadline for Application Submission
- Thursday, January 26, 2017***      Decision Letters Mailed to **ALL** Applicants
- Wednesday, February 15, 2017***      First Day of the City Management Academy ***(\$50.00 Materials Fee Due)***
- Tuesday, May 23, 2017***      2017 CMA Graduation at City Council

If you are interested in being more involved civically, please **consider applying to be a new member of the City Management Academy Class of 2017!** For more information call (916) 808-6789 or visit website:

<http://www.cityofsacramento.org/ParksandRec/Neighborhood-Services/Programs/City-Management-Academy>.

Complete the attached application and return by the due date of **Thursday, January 12, 2017 by 5:00 PM (no postmarks are accepted)**. The City Management Academy is a wonderful opportunity for you to learn more about how the city works but more importantly, to connect with others that are also committed to improving the quality of life in Sacramento.

Sincerely,

*Kriztina Palone*

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