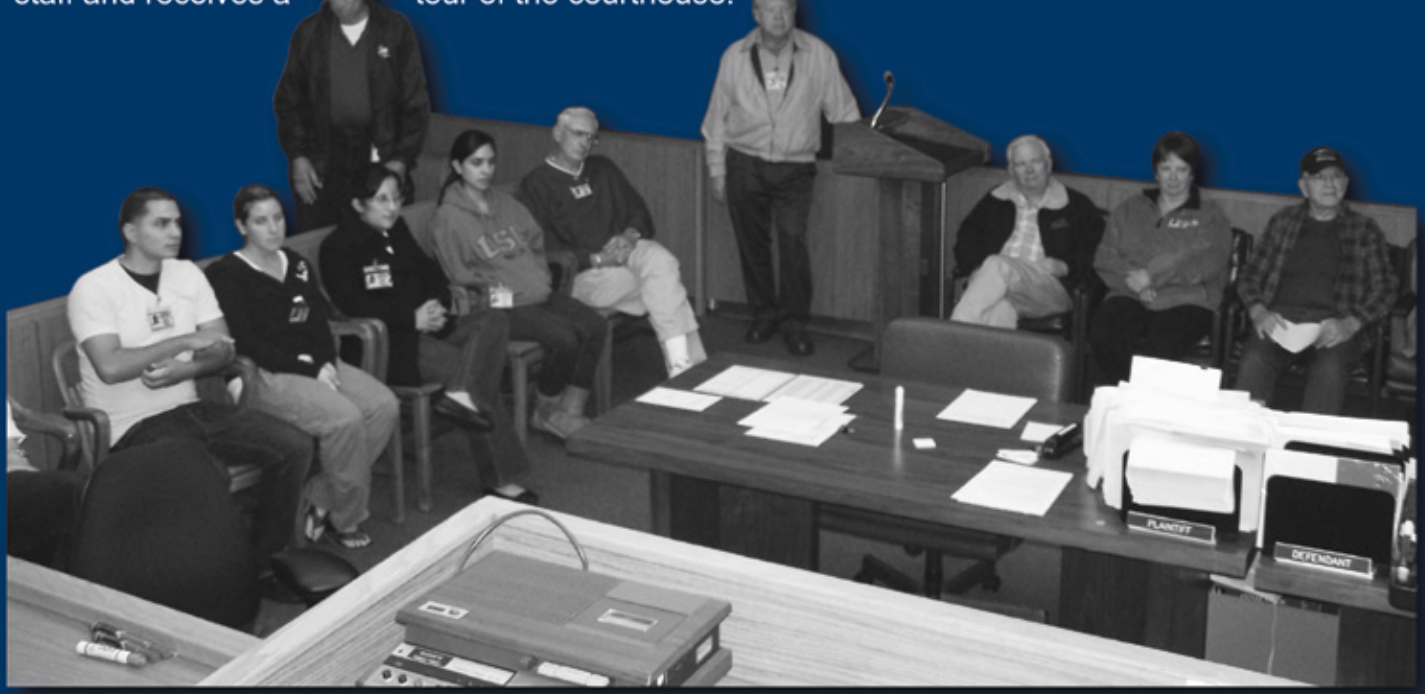
Year in Review

The Department held its 15th and 16th ***Citizen Academy*** classes during 2009, educating 37 interested and involved citizens. This all-inclusive, 12-week program meets once a week and is designed to share first-hand information about the operation of the Downey Police Department. Class members receive hands-on training from Police personnel, and are taken on several field trips including a visit to the Downey Superior Court where the class interacts with court staff and receives a tour of the courthouse.



Department personnel attended a total of 14,094 hours of ***training***, including 4,858 hours of state POST certified training and 3,516 hours of in-house training.

Our ***Detective Bureau*** remains diligent in fighting the ever increasing crimes of Fraud. On October 20th, Downey detectives conducted a "sting" operation at the Downey Landing resulting in the arrest of a 51 year-old female resident of Downey. The female had represented herself as an employee of NBC Studios and claimed to have the ability to provide contract services for the studio. She requested a substantial amount of money from the victims, supposedly to conduct background investigations and complete the hiring process of new employees. After being alerted to the fraud, Downey detectives conducted the sting and arrested the suspect. It is believed she stole close to $10,000 from at least two different victims.