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DATE: January 7, 2022

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TO: All D.A.R.E. Officers and Supervisors

ROBERT L. GREEN
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FROM: Michael Casamento, Md. Regional D.A.R.E. Coordinator

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RE: 2022 Annual D.A.R.E. In-Service Training

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Pursuant to Policy and Procedures Statement MD-90-09 of the Maryland D.A.R.E. Coordinator and Maryland Community Policing Institute of the Maryland Police and Correctional Training Commissions (MPCTC), the mandated D.A.R.E. In-Service Training conference has been scheduled for April 12-14, 2022 at the Carousel Hotel, 11700 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, MD 21842.

All Maryland D.A.R.E. Instructors are mandated to attend a D.A.R.E. specific training each year to maintain certification, unless specifically excused. Absences may be granted by the State Coordinator upon a written request approved by the instructor's supervisor. D.A.R.E. instructors who have received their certification within the past 12 months DO NOT fall under this mandate, but are encouraged to attend. The training this year will consist of topics that are of interest to you as D.A.R.E. Instructors, SRO's, and Law Enforcement Officers.

In accordance with the above policy, the Commissions will provide the conference facility, instructional workshops, lodging and several meals (two breakfasts and one luncheon) free of cost to all Maryland D.A.R.E. Instructors. As always, this training will be approved by MPCTC for Police In-Service Credits (P# is pending). Registration specific to this D.A.R.E. In-Service Training Conference must be completed through the Training Coordinator for each agency using the online training calendar. D.A.R.E. Instructors are directed to submit their request to attend this mandatory training through agency channels to the Training Coordinator. The registration **deadline is Friday, March 25, 2022 by 4:00 PM.**

Lodging will be provided for attendees by the State D.A.R.E. Office free of cost. Rooms are based on double occupancy with an assigned roommate. Attendees wishing to select a roommate (as in the past) need to email Mike Casamento with the name of your roommate by the deadline (make sure the roommate agrees). Attendees wishing to reserve their own rooms, or to extend their reservations either before or after the conference dates, may do so **at their own expense**. The self-reservations must be made by the attendee after the March 25th deadline. The conference rate of \$75 per night (weeknights only) will be honored by the hotel for all D.A.R.E. conference attendees as a self-pay. If you plan on making your own reservation, please call Georgette Smith at 1(800)641-0011x7116 or (410)520-2234 or Kathy Hunt at 410-524-7112.

Questions or concerns regarding this event should be directed to Mike Casamento, the State Coordinator's Office at (410)875-3474 or michael.casamento@maryland.gov.