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Arlington Police Department Receives Prestigious Certification from National Center for Missing and Exploited Children

(Arlington, WA) – The Arlington Police Department is proud to announce that it has received the prestigious certification from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC). This certification provides the department with a comprehensive understanding of their role and responsibilities when responding to incidents involving missing and endangered children, child exploitation, and sex trafficking.

The process for achieving this certification has been in progress for over a year and requires every member of the agency to attend rank-specific training. This training increases in length and complexity as members progress through the ranks, ensuring that each member is well-equipped to handle these sensitive and high-stakes situations.

NCMEC is a tremendous resource for the department on some of the most critical calls encountered, providing guidance on policies and procedures that must meet their standards and guidelines. The certification will last for four years with yearly updates, reviews, and assessments on continued best practices by NCMEC.

The Arlington Police Department’s achievement of this certification demonstrates its commitment to protecting the most vulnerable members of society. “This achievement demonstrates our commitment to protecting the most vulnerable members of society,” said Chief of Police Jonathan Ventura. “We are proud to be certified by NCMEC and to have our policies and procedures meet their standards and guidelines.”

For information regarding the certification, contact the City of Arlington Police Department at: 360-403-3400.

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