



BROWARD OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

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Broward Office of the Inspector General Seeking Reaccreditation

Broward Inspector General John W. Scott announced today that the Broward Office of the Inspector General (OIG) is seeking its second reaccreditation from the Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation (CFA). The OIG received its initial accreditation on October 8, 2014 and was reaccredited on November 1, 2017. On November 12, 2020, a team of assessors from the CFA will conduct a virtual assessment of the OIG's policies and procedures, management, and operations. The assessors will review written materials, interview individuals, and conduct a virtual walkthrough of offices and other places where compliance can be witnessed. The OIG is required to comply with approximately 40 standards in order to receive reaccredited status.

An accreditation program has long been recognized as a means of maintaining the highest standards of professionalism. The CFA is the accrediting authority for Offices of Inspectors General in the state of Florida. The CFA is comprised of four sheriffs, four chiefs, and one representative each from the State Law Enforcement Chiefs' Association, Florida League of Cities, Florida Association of Counties, Florida Supreme Court and an inspector general appointed by the Florida Chief Inspector General.

As part of the virtual assessment, agency members and the general public are invited to offer comments to the assessment team. A copy of the CFA's standards is available by clicking [here](#). For more information regarding CFA or for persons wishing to offer written comments about the OIG's ability to meet the standards of accreditation, please write to CFA, P.O. Box 1489, Tallahassee, Florida 32302, or email to flaccreditation@fdle.state.fl.us.

The CFA assessment team will consist of a team leader and one additional assessor. Once the Commission's assessors complete their review of the OIG, they will report back to the full Commission, which will then decide if the OIG is to receive reaccredited status, valid for a 3 year period. Verification by the assessment team that the OIG meets the Commission's standards is part of a voluntary process to gain or maintain accreditation—a highly prized recognition of professional excellence.