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## **Official Delegation from the Georgian Ministry of Internal Affairs in Town for LaGrange Police Site Visit**

**LaGrange, Ga. May 14, 2018** – An official delegation from the Georgian Ministry of Internal Affairs in Tbilisi, Georgia was in LaGrange last week for a police site visit. The group is learning about the LaGrange Police Department’s community policing practices.



*Photo 1 & 2 : The delegation from the Georgian Ministry of Internal Affairs in Georgia learn about community policing*

The group consists of decision makers from the Georgian Ministry of Internal Affairs who are involved in planning and implementing community oriented policing initiatives in the Republic of Georgia.

LaGrange Police Chief Lou Dekmar, who serves as the President of the International Association of Chiefs of Police, is hosting the group. LPD continues to receive overwhelmingly positive reviews for their efforts

on community police relationships. The site visit includes classroom instruction and riding with officers in Patrol to observe their community policing efforts in action. The participants will have the opportunity to meet with citizens, civic groups, and business leaders with whom the LaGrange Police Department has partnered with in their Community Outreach Initiatives.



*Photo 1 & 2: The delegation met with Mayor Jim Thornton and City Manager Meg Kelsey*

The group also met with Mayor Jim Thornton and City Manager Meg Kelsey to how the police and government work best together.

The delegation returned to the Republic of Georgia Friday.

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