## 8.3 - Law Enforcement Officer Training

*Standard:* Law enforcement officers with the authority to enforce laws within areas and facilities under the jurisdiction of the agency must have proper training in order to carry out their roles and responsibilities.

*Suggested Evidence of Compliance:* Provide a summary of the current training program for law enforcement officers having jurisdiction within the parks and recreation agency, including provision for refreshers and updates.

Informational reference in the *Management of Park and Recreation Agencies*, (2010), 3rd Ed., Chapter 22 – Law Enforcement and Security, pp. 612-616.

## Agency Evidence of Compliance:

The Village of Park Park Police Department provides a variety of training for its officers. Every officer must attend and graduate from a specific Police Academy<sup>1</sup> training program in order to be sworn in and certified as a police office in Illinois. Additionally, officers at the Village of Oak Park Police Department are given on-going training<sup>2</sup> about issues that may arise in parks, including annual training on Park District Code<sup>3</sup> and how to issue a citation for park violations as well as other topics such as the homeless and animal control.

## Documentation:

- 1. 08.03.00\_Cook-County-Sheriff-Police-Academy-Training-Schedule.pdf
- 2. 08.03.00\_2014-VOP-Police-Department-Inservice-Training-Schedule.pdf
- 3. 08.03.00\_E-mail-from-VOP-Regarding-Review-of-Park-Code.pdf

## Agency Self Assessment: MET