

WISCONSIN LAW ENFORCEMENT ACCREDITATION GROUP
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Re: U.S. Department of Justice, Standards for Certification on Safe Policing for Communities

Dear: Sheriff Schmaling

On behalf of the Wisconsin Law Enforcement Accreditation Group, this letter confirms we are certifying that the Racine County Sheriff's Office meets certain eligibility requirements set forth by the U.S. Department of Justice for discretionary federal grants. The Racine County Sheriff's Office is qualified to receive federal grants for three years from the date of this letter.

Pursuant to Section 2 of the Presidential Executive Order on Safe Policing for Safe Communities, dated June 16, 2020, Executive Order No. 13929 (the "Executive Order on Safe Policing"), the U.S. Department of Justice's discretionary grant funding is only available to state, local, and university or college law enforcement agencies that have obtained (or are in the process of seeking) credentials certifying that they meet certain standards on use of force. The Executive Order on Safe Policing empowers the U.S. Attorney General to designate independent credentialing bodies — including the Wisconsin Law Enforcement Accreditation Group — to certify that a law enforcement agency meets the conditions of eligibility for federal grants.

Following our review, we have determined that the Racine County Sheriff's Office meets the mandatory conditions for certification. Accordingly, the Wisconsin Law Enforcement Accreditation Group will include your agency going forward within our database of certified law enforcement agencies. On or before January 31st of each year, we will provide the name of each certified law enforcement agency to the Director of the COPS Office.

If you would like to discuss further, please do not hesitate to contact me either by email at m.ferguson@glendalewi.gov or by phone at (414) 228-1753.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Mark Ferguson'. The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Chief Mark Ferguson, President
Wisconsin Law Enforcement Accreditation Group