

# **Closter Police Department Accredited**

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CLOSTER — the Police Department has received statewide accreditation through the New Jersey Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission.

Following nearly a yearlong process, the Police Department learned last month that it had achieved accreditation, said Police Chief David Berrian. Certification will be presented soon.

The department had to comply with 112 standards and will be reevaluated every three years to ensure adherence. A team from the New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police examined all aspects of Closter's policies, procedures, management operations and support services.

All of the department's policies and procedures were reviewed and updated in some cases, said Sgt. Dennis Kaine, who was designated accreditation manager. "It's going to standardize all of the operations of the department so everyone's doing it the same way," he said.

There are 45 accredited police agencies in the state. The program, run by the New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police, is voluntary.

— Karen Sudol