

# MEDIA RELEASE

On November 18, 2021 the Rome Police Department and the Floyd County Sheriff's Office once again rose to that high standard that the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) expects.

CALEA is an International Accreditation Commission that certifies Law Enforcement Agencies all over the world by promoting and ensuring that best practices are followed by participating agencies. Participation in CALEA is voluntary. Agencies who participate must submit hundreds of documents each year showing proof of compliance with the standards set by CALEA. Annual reviews for compliance are conducted by assessors from outside agencies. An on-site review by the Commission is conducted every four years to verify compliance with all standards.

The Rome Police Department was first nationally accredited in 1986, becoming the second department in the State of Georgia to achieve this status. The Rome Police Department has achieved re-accreditation eleven times showing compliance with the 454 standards required.

The Floyd County Sheriff's Office was awarded its 4<sup>th</sup> Accreditation Award by CALEA; having been accredited by CALEA since 2011. The Floyd County Sheriff's Office has shown compliance with the 181 applicable standards for their agency.

Both agencies participate in this to maintain and provide the best service for Rome and Floyd County. We are excited to share this news with our community and promise to continue to provide service with Integrity, Excellence, and Dedication.