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Cambridge Police Department Hosts GOAL Training

December 7, 2010 – On December 6th, the Cambridge Police Department hosted the first of four trainings from the Gay Officers Action League of New England (GOAL/NE) at the Robert W. Healy Public Safety Facility. In attendance were Cambridge Police Officers who had not yet received GOAL training, as well as members of the Cambridge Fire Department, Harvard University Police Department, MIT Police Department, and Pro Ambulance Services.



[The Gay Officers Action League of New England](#) (GOAL/NE) provides comprehensive training for police officers and other criminal justice professionals in an effort to enhance the knowledge of Gay, Lesbian, Bi-sexual, and Transgender (GLBT) issues and laws.

GOAL/NE's mission is to provide the most current law updates, statistics, and community concerns to enable each law enforcement officer and agency to better provide services to their respective communities and to provide a safe working environment for GLBT professionals within the agency. GOAL/NE provides the necessary tools to guide the student through Same Gender Domestic Violence, Bias Crimes, GLBT Community Issues, and GLBT Families. We facilitate this training by maintaining the highest level of instructors, derived from the community of openly GLBT criminal justice professionals.

John Gintell, Co-Chair of the [Cambridge GLBT Commission](#), said, "The GLBT Commission started working with CPD a few years ago on GLBT issues which included having an active liaison in the department and getting GLBT training included in the training program...The first training sessions which were given to everyone in the department were a big success both from the GOAL feedback report and informal discussions with several police officers. The department is clearly committed to continuing training by GOAL to new recruits."

The Cambridge Police Department is proud to offer and host these trainings and it is the department's commitment to provide GOAL training to all Cambridge Police Officers. Two more training sessions will be held at the police department on Wednesday, December 8th.

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