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## **PARK RANGERS HOST OPEN HOUSE FOR EXPLORERS PROGRAM**

Considering a career in law enforcement? Summit Metro Parks rangers invite individuals ages 15 to 20 to join us for an Explorers Program Open House on Wednesday, October 16 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., at Goodyear Lodge in Goodyear Heights Metro Park (2077 Newton St., Akron).

“The Explorers program is a great opportunity for young people who are interested in learning more about a law enforcement career in a park setting,” Chief Doug Shepard said.

Explorers meet on the third Wednesday of each month to learn CPR and first aid, as well as some of the day-to-day responsibilities of a park ranger, including patrolling on foot and on bike, participating in the criminal justice system and more. The average time commitment will be two hours per month, and each participant will be expected to complete up to six 8-hour community service projects per year. Annual dues of \$41.25 per Explorer will be good through December 2020.

For more information, please call the Summit Metro Parks ranger department at 330-865-8052 or visit <https://www.summitmetroparks.org/park-rangers.aspx>.

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