



Job Vacancy

Class Title:	Police Officer/K9 Handler
Salary:	\$25.28 - \$34.48 (hourly)

*Class specifications are intended to present a descriptive list of the range of duties performed by employees in the class. Specifications are **not** intended to reflect all duties performed within the job.*

JOB SUMMARY

This is general law enforcement work; responsible for protecting life and property and enforcing laws and ordinances. This work involves personal danger, independent judgment, and discretion in difficult or unusual situations. The K9 officer handles and uses the skills of police dogs to assist in the execution of certain duties. Work also involves educating the public on basic safety and crime prevention.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS

Patrols the City aided by a police dog to enforce laws and ordinances and protect life and property; monitors commercial and residential areas for signs of criminal activity, patrols for suspicious persons or vehicles.

Enforces traffic and parking laws through the issuance of citations and warnings; routinely inspects roadways, bridges, and traffic signals and signs to find and report any hazardous conditions.

Responds to calls for assistance such as domestic disputes, burglaries, auto accidents, assaults, and other complaints of crimes.

Enforces Federal, State, and Local laws by performing warrant, felony, or misdemeanor arrests; implements physical confrontation when necessary; protects the civil rights of persons in custody.

Investigates traffic accidents by establishing point of impact, interviewing witnesses, and collecting, preserving, and packaging evidence; detects drunk drivers and performs sobriety evaluations; books DUI suspects.

Serves as first responder to provide aid and assistance to victims of traffic and other accidents, assists fire and emergency medical services in treating and transporting victims.

Prepares and maintains a wide variety of departmental records in compliance with departmental and legal policies and procedures; prepares and files thorough written case reports.

Gives advice on laws, ordinances, and general information to the public; renders advice on domestic disturbances and assists citizens in need.

Maintains assigned uniform, vehicle, and equipment in accordance with departmental policy and procedures.

Police Officer/K-9 Handler

Coordinates activities and exchanges information with officers in other law enforcement agencies as necessary.

Presents evidence and testimony in courts of law; assists in prosecuting felony and misdemeanor cases.

Maintains order in crowds and provides security for other public gatherings.

Assists stranded motorists, directs traffic when necessary; escorts special processions; transports prisoners to jail.

Participates in departmental training programs.

Serves and executes criminal and traffic warrants on felony and misdemeanor suspects.

May serve in a variety of duty assignments including Community Outreach, Station Duty, bicycle patrol, Special Response Team, or investigations.

Performs other duties as required.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Must have POST (Peace Officer Standards and Training Council) basic mandated certification.

Must possess K-9 Handler certification.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS

The work is typically performed with the employee intermittently sitting, standing, walking, running, bending, crouching, or stooping. The employee must occasionally lift light or heavy objects, use equipment requiring a high degree of dexterity, be able to distinguish between shades of color, and use the physical force necessary to arrest and restrain persons.

WORK ENVIRONMENT

The work is performed indoors, in a vehicle, and outdoors. The employee is exposed to occasional inclement weather, infectious diseases, irritating chemicals, and life-threatening situations. The work may require the use of protective equipment such as masks or gloves.

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