

# THE CITY OF ZANESVILLE invites applications for the position of:

## **Police Officer**

**SALARY:** \$20.16 - \$31.08 Hourly

**DEPARTMENT:** Patrol & Enforcement

**OPENING DATE:** 04/13/22

**CLOSING DATE:** 05/15/22 11:59 PM

**POSITION DESCRIPTION:** 

Applicants are required to read the Public Safety Information Book prior to application. This booklet is available by clicking <u>here</u>.

## MINORITY APPLICANTS ENCOURAGED TO APPLY

Please use the link below to apply:

https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/zanesville/

## **Position Qualifications**

An appropriate combination of education, training, course work and experience may qualify an applicant to demonstrate required knowledge, skills, and abilities. An example of an acceptable qualification is: High School Degree, GED or equivalent and law enforcement training from Ohio Peace Officer's Training Academy. Ability to pass background check.

Ability to document identity and employment eligibility within three (3) days of original appointment as a condition of employment in compliance with Immigration Reform and Control Act requirements.

## **Licensure or Certification Requirements**

Certification from Basic Police Officer Training School; State Motor Vehicle Operator's License.

## **Distinguishing Job Characteristics**

Under direction, serves citizens, maintains law and order and preserves peace within City of Zanesville.

## **Essential Duties and Responsibilities**

To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to satisfactorily perform each essential duty listed below. Reasonable accommodations will be made for disabled persons, covered by the Americans With Disabilities Act, in accordance with its requirements.

Patrols assigned area, on foot or in police vehicle, to serve citizens and enforce governing laws and city ordinances. Serves general public, offers assistance and maintains good public relations.

Conducts business and residential checks, and deters and detects unlawful activity. Seeks abnormal conditions, inspects premises, checks suspicious persons and vehicles, and provides

viable law enforcement presence. Maintains lookout for wanted persons or property, and maintains surveillance in problem areas.

Responds to and handles alarms and calls. Apprehends and arrests suspects in violation of laws and ordinances.

Acts as peace officer in situations requiring intervention and mediation such as fights, family disturbances, neighbor disputes, and other matters. Handles citizen complaints concerning disturbances, juvenile problems, loud parties, and other problems.

Conducts criminal and accident investigations. Collects and identifies evidence and questions victims and witnesses. Prepares evidence for presentation in court, and testifies in court proceedings.

Directs traffic, and enforces traffic and parking laws. Gives warnings and issues traffic citations. Reports hazardous traffic conditions and abandoned or damaged vehicles and assists stranded motorists.

Attends parades and other public gatherings and maintains order in crowds. Provides funeral and security escorts.

Serves subpoenas.

Summons medical help and provides first aid as necessary.

Completes arrest, criminal, accident and other police reports, and maintains daily activities log.

Maintains and improves individual police knowledge and skills. Participates in training programs and conferences to learn new or revised regulations, policy or procedure. Maintains current knowledge of laws and ordinances governing city. Learns effective use of equipment and investigative aids, and maintains skill in safe and effective use of firearms.

Transports suspects and witnesses to police headquarters, jail, court, and other locations.

## Other Duties and Responsibilities

May be assigned to k-9 unit. Handles and takes care of police dog, and maintains current working knowledge of dog handling requirements and court decisions.

May be assigned as DARE Officer. Teaches DARE in schools and promotes drug awareness in accordance with DARE program curriculum.

## Scope of Supervision

None

## **Equipment Operated**

Cruiser; radio; handgun, shotgun and other duty weapons; chemical agents and other defensive weapons; stop stick; computer; Breath Alcohol Content Verifier; flares; animal snare; radar and laser units; handcuffs and other restraints; other police equipment; telephone.

## **Contacts with Others**

General public; Sheriff Deputies; Fire Department; Ambulance Services; Dog Warden; Children Services and other social service agencies; victims, witnesses, suspects and convicted criminals; Municipal Court Judge; Prosecutor, Law Director, Defenders and other attorneys; County Coroner; Mental Health and hospital personnel; juvenile court officials.

#### **Confidential Data**

LEADS/NCIC information; criminal case investigation reports; covert operations.

## **Working Conditions**

Occasional exposure to heat, cold, dampness, fumes, noise, dirt, and dust and other inclement weather or other conditions. Occasionally exposed to extremely unpleasant situations or conditions inherent within police work. Occasionally exposed to life-threatening or other dangerous situations including injury and resulting stress. Occasional exposure to bodily fluids, lice, and to TB, hepatitis, HIV and other medical conditions.

## **Usual Physical Demands**

The following physical demands are <u>typically</u> exhibited by position incumbents performing this job's essential duties and responsibilities. These physical demands are not, and should not be construed to be job qualification standards, but are illustrated to help the employer, employee and/or applicant identify tasks where reasonable accommodations may need to be made when an otherwise qualified person is unable to perform the job's essential duties because of an ADA disability.

While performing duties of this job, the employee will frequently enter and exit cruiser, and will sit in a cruiser for extended periods of time. The employee will occasionally have to physically control persons of varying weights and strengths, and exert a great deal of physical effort for normally short periods. The employee must exhibit good eye/hand coordination when firing a weapon. The employee normally uses usual vision demands. The employee normally must be able to converse verbally in a professional manner with general public, and to hear.

## Required Knowledge, Skills and Abilities

Knowledge of: law enforcement procedures and requirements; Federal, State and Local laws; criminology; search and seizure laws; law enforcement safety precautions and procedure.

Ability to: react with sound judgement and courage in dangerous situations; maintain and promote good public relations as city representative; maintain confidentiality of confidential and sensitive subject matter; develop and maintain effective working relationships with associates, general public, other law enforcement personnel; social service agency representatives and others; recognize unusual or threatening conditions and take appropriate action; deal sensitively with persons of varying cultures and diversity; work independently; determine appropriate situations for use of force and pursuit.

Skill in: writing police reports; use of firearms and other weapons; use of BAC verifier, radar units, and other police equipment; defensive driving; self defense and use of force; mediating and peacefully resolving conflicts; interviewing and communicating with general public; controlling prisoner behavior; first aid and CPR.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

## Age Requirements

Applicants must be 21 years of age to receive original appointment.

## **Documents to Upload**

- 1. Driver's license copy (required)
- 2. Résumé (optional)
- 3. Other relevant certificates (optional)
- 4. DD214 (if applicable)

## **Applicant Booklet**

Applicants are required to read the <u>Public Safety Information Book</u> prior to application. The booklet provides additional information on selection procedures, agility requirements, background investigation, etc.

## Eligible List

Applicants who attain a passing score of 70% on the written exam and pass the physical agility exam (all phases) will have their names on an eligibility list. Applicant must meet requirements of

both parts of exams to be on the eligible list. The list will be arranged according to the scores from the highest to the lowest; it will then be used to fill current and future vacancies for two years or upon depletion thereof. Applicants must meet requirements of both parts of examination (written and physical agility) to be on the eligible list.

## **Military Credit**

Applicants who have been honorably discharged from active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces are eligible for additional credit of 20% on their exam provided a passing score is obtained. Copy of honorable discharge or Form DD214 must be submitted before exam. No credit is given if proof of discharge is submitted after the examination date. *Proof of honorable discharge can be attached with the application but must be submitted before exam date.* 

## **Additional Credit**

Additional 10% credit will be given if OPOTA certified; additional 10% credit if currently working as a fulltime Police Officer for at least 2 years. Maximum credit attainable is 20% (either Military or combination of certifications). *Proof can be attached with the application but must be submitted before exam date.* 

#### **General Information**

A thorough background investigation will be conducted into the applicant's work experience, reference checks, criminal activities, character, trustworthiness, and dependability. Applicant will also be subjected to a polygraph examination. Selected applicants will be subjected to a psychological exam and a physical/drug screen. Please refer to the online posting for benefit information.

## Submitting an Application

To be included in the examination process for the position of Police Officer, you must have submitted an electronic application by the deadline date. After the deadline date, test notices will be sent to applicants through the USPS.

## **Special Note**

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Applicants having any disability that would require special testing arrangements for the written exam should notify the Civil Service Office regarding the need for special accommodations.

#### AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

APPLICATIONS MAY BE FILED ONLINE AT: http://www.coz.org

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