POLICE RECORDS CLERK

Definition:

Under general supervision performs a variety of responsible, specialized, police-related clerical and recordkeeping duties; updates and maintains records and files; performs matron duties for female prisoners as assigned and performs related work as required.

Essential Duties and Responsibilities:

The responsibilities and essential duties performed on a frequent and recurring basis by an incumbent include the following:

Operates a personal computer, printer, applicable software and typewriter to enter a wide variety of data, prepare/transcribe reports, process forms and produce correspondence.

Maintains and updates individual case and crime reports.

Processes bookings, arrests, citations, stolen vehicle and traffic collision reports, fingerprint cards and officer statistics.

Assists in the processing of warrants, subpoenas and court reports.

Acts as a matron to ensure the security of female prisoners as assigned, including patting down and strip-searching female prisoners and visually checking all orifices of the body of a female prisoner.

Completes, types and processes forms, reports and correspondence from rough drafts, notes or verbal instructions.

Checks, enters and files data and records and prepares, transmits and receives teletype records.

Answers telephone calls and other inquiries and responds to questions regarding department procedures.

Operates a variety of office equipment.

Performs a variety of specialized clerical or recordkeeping duties and other tasks related to the Police Department as needed.

Other Duties and Responsibilities Include:

May lift and move boxes of files and other items weighing 30 pounds or less.

Performs other projects/tasks as assigned.

Class Characteristics:

Police Records Clerk is a multi-incumbent class in the Police Department with duties related to the maintenance of a variety of police records. Incumbents enter, file and process sensitive law enforcement data. All Police Records Clerks assigned to the Police Records Division are assigned to matron duty for female prisoners. Therefore, all Police Records Division Police Records Clerks must be female.

Contacts and Relationships:

A Police Records Clerk establishes and maintains contact with other Police Department staff. Additional contact will occur with law enforcement representatives from other agencies, court officials and the general public

Qualification Guidelines:

The knowledge and abilities which are required to perform the duties and responsibilities of this class including the following:

Knowledge of:

English usage, spelling, grammar and punctuation.

Computer applications related to area assigned.

Filing and indexing methods.

Receptionist and telephone techniques.

General office practices and procedures.

Business math.

Basic report writing.

AND

Ability to:

Perform a variety of responsible and sensitive clerical work and maintain the confidentiality of information as prescribed by law.

Understand and carry out oral and written instructions independently.

Adhere to multiple deadlines and handle multiple projects.

Independently set up and maintain records and complex files.

Assemble data and prepare reports.

Establish and maintain effective relationships with those contacted in the course of work.

Learn and apply rules, regulations and policies applicable to the area assigned.

Make accurate mathematical calculations.

Operate a personal computer and use applicable software.

Communicate effectively orally and in writing.

Meet the public with courtesy and tact.

Read and write at the level required for successful job performance.

A typical way to obtain the knowledge and abilities is as follows:

Education:

Graduation from high school.

AND

Experience:

Two years of performing responsible clerical duties including one year of public contact experience.

Special Requirements Include:

Type at a net speed of 45 words per minute.

Must be able to successfully pass a Police Department pre-employment screening process.

Must be able to work a flexible schedule, to accommodate City needs.

If assigned to the Police Records Division must be able to perform as a matron and be able to work rotating shifts, overtime, emergency callback, nights, holidays and weekends to accommodate City needs.

Physical Tasks and Working Conditions Include the Following:

Work is performed in an office environment and requires sitting for prolonged periods of time and the use of a computer, keyboard and related equipment. An incumbent stands, walks, and may twist, reach, bend, crouch, kneel, climb stairs and ladders and grasp, push, pull, drag and move boxes of files and other office items weighing 30 pounds or less. When performing matron duties an incumbent may deal with combative prisoners, be exposed to prisoner-related health hazards including blood and other bodily fluids/products, communicable diseases and human-borne parasites. An incumbent must be able to meet the physical requirements of the class and have mobility, balance, coordination, vision, hearing and dexterity levels appropriate to the duties to be performed.

Fair Labor Standards Act Designation: Non-exempt.

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