

Vacaville Police Department

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V.I.P.S. – Volunteers Recruitment Drive Begins September 12, 2007

The Vacaville Police Department is now accepting applications for the winter Volunteer in Police Service (V.I.P.S.) Academy. Vacaville citizens interested in volunteering a few hours each week are invited to attend a public information meeting at 10am on September 12, 2007 at the Vacaville Police Department, 660 Merchant Street. Applications are available in the lobby of the Police Department and will be accepted through December 17, 2007. The forty-five hour training academy is designed to give volunteers a thorough orientation on the operation of the Police Department and the valued role volunteers have in the Department. Beginning January 22, 2008 volunteers will participate in a series of half-day classes culminating in graduation ceremonies scheduled for February 15, 2008. Class size will be limited to 25.

Volunteers are currently needed in the following areas:

Administrative Support

Volunteers respond to phone inquiries and perform various clerical tasks, while assisting with a variety of spontaneous projects. Good communication and computer skills are a must; Web and power point experience is desired.

Clerical Assistance – Family Services

The Vacaville Police Department has developed a number of diverse and specialized service programs to address the needs of families, senior citizens, and children in response to family violence. Our volunteers assist the office with clerical duties. Some projects deal with file management, transcription of short notes, data entry, copying brochures, supply closet organization, and special projects needing additional assistance.

Patrol Assistant

Volunteers provide reliable, consistent on-site assistance to the Vacaville Police Department's Patrol Division on a 24-hour per day basis. The Patrol Assistant may work any hours of the day or night (4-hour shifts) and will assist Police Officers in a variety of tasks utilizing both telephone and computer technologies.

V.I.P.S. Patrol

We are looking for responsible adults with good people skills to join the V.I.P.S. Patrol. Patrol members travel in pairs. Non-workday hours are also available once initial training is completed.

For additional information you may also call the V.I.P.S. Program Coordinator Judy Thompson, at (707)469-4730.

Criminal activity can be reported at www.cityofvacaville.com/departments/police, or you can call "Crime Stoppers" and leave an anonymous tip at 707-644-STOP (information that leads to an arrest.7867). Crime Stoppers may pay up to \$1,000 for