

## **Job Description**

The City of Somerville Police Department has an opening for a full-time patrol officer. Salary will be based on experience, education and training. This position is responsible for protecting and serving the citizens of Somerville, Texas by patrolling, solving community problems, performing preliminary or follow-up criminal investigations, handling traffic control and enforcing local municipal ordinances, federal laws and state laws. Full Time w/benefits; employer paid Health, Dental, Vision TMRS participation of 5%; paid vacation and sick days; and 10 paid holidays.

### **MAJOR RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES:**

- Patrol the City and routes walking or driving within the city's jurisdiction.
- Respond to calls for service concerning crisis situations, accidents, and reports of crime.
- Investigate all criminal offenses that occur within the city's jurisdiction.
- Collect and preserve evidence including witness statements and physical evidence.
- Take custody of perpetrators, file appropriate charges, and ensure placement in jail or juvenile detention centers for law violations as necessary.
- Write effective legal incident/offense reports.
- Testify in court and administrative hearing as needed.
- Work cooperatively with other police agencies to share information and provide other assistance.

### **Special Knowledge/Skills:**

- Excellent oral and written communication

### **Experience:**

- Have at least one year of patrol experience

### **QUALIFICATIONS:**

#### **Education/Certification:**

- High school diploma or GED
- Must already have Texas Peace Officer License issued by Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCOLE)
- Valid Texas driver's license

Job Type: Full-time

Salary: \$31,200.00 to \$33,000.00 /year

#### **Requirements**

- Must be TCOLE Certified
- Must possess a valid Texas Driver's License and have a good driving record
- Must not have been convicted of a felony at any time or a Class B or above in the last 10 years
- Must be a United States Citizen
- Must have an honorable discharge from the Armed Forces, if applicable
- Must be able to pass the following: Full TCOLE Background Investigation, Oral Board and drug tests