

MEDINA COUNTY PARK DISTRICT POLICE DEPARTMENT

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Following, you will find an application packet. Please complete all requested information listed within before returning to the park office. This information will be kept on file for two (2) years. If you wish to update your file during that time, you may do so by stopping by the park office during normal business hours.

Should you have questions regarding any of the information requested or need guidance in completing this packet, you may refer your inquiries to the chief of park police.

Also, please review the job description and other materials within so as to have a complete understanding of the nature of the position. Should you, for any reason, feel you cannot meet the requirements, or, upon review of these materials, have a change of mind, please return the packet to the park office if you picked up a hard copy.

The following is a list of items required if applying for a police officer position with Medina County Park District.

- 1. Completed application
- 2. Resume
- 3. References WITH addresses and phone numbers
- 4. Copies of any certificates received (O.P.O.T.C., academy, etc.)
- 5. Sign ALL five release forms AND have a WITNESS sign where required
- 6. Copy of your birth certificate
- 7. Copy of your high school diploma and transcript
- 8. Copy of your college diploma and transcript
- 9. Name, address, and phone number of your physician
- 10. A recent photograph taken within the last year

POLICE OFFICER

Organization Overview

Medina County Park District is a local and regional leader in conservation, education, and the protection of natural resources. Employees take pride in the parks, trails, programs, and community; ensure quality outdoor experiences; protect public investments; plant the forests and prairies of tomorrow; and develop the next generation of stewards. Employment with the park district is more than a job – it's an opportunity to make lives better in a fun, fulfilling team environment.

Responsibility

Under the direction of the police chief, the officer provides safety, protection, stewardship, education to the park visitor, law-enforcement services such as patrol of district properties, and other duties as assigned. This is a commissioned law-enforcement appointment with full arrest authority under Section 1545.13 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Examples of Duties

- Routine patrol of park district properties
- Respond to complaints and emergencies and conduct investigations
- Prepare written reports of investigations
- Attend all necessary training for park police staff including but not limited to firearms, self-defense, defensive driving, updates on O.P.O.T.C. requirements, and various changes in laws or rules
- · Maintain daily logs of patrol activities
- Public relations with park visitors
- Write and file citations for park violations and make court appearances as necessary
- Work with maintenance staff as needed on special projects
- Provide traffic and parking control at park district events
- Work with volunteer groups
- Other duties as assigned

Distinguishing Characteristics of the Class

- Park police officers are required to have direct contact with park visitors and must have the ability to work with people in a relaxed enforcement environment
- Required to carry a firearm, be trained in the use of a shotgun, and be skilled in the use of various enforcement techniques and personal safety measures
- Must be skilled in defensive driving during emergency situations
- Officers may be confronted with deadly force situations in the performance of their duties
- Required to work varying shifts and to respond when called to duty in emergency situations
- Must be at least 21 years of age as required by state law
- Must be citizens of the United States and residents of Ohio

- Officers must be of good moral character, reputation, and financial responsibility with no conviction higher than a misdemeanor or of a crime involving turpitude
- Must be willing to submit to complete background checks prior to being hired

Necessary Knowledge, Skills, Abilities

- Proven teamwork, communication, and partnership skills, and the ability to work directly with all levels of the organization to achieve common goals
- Demonstrated emotional intelligence including self-awareness, empathy, reliability, and consistency; a proven track record of establishing and maintaining critical relationships internally and externally; demonstrated trust, integrity, and credibility
- High school diploma; minimum two-year degree with a natural resources background
- The ability to work with park visitors in various enforcement situations including issuing citations, assisting the public with complaints, education, and taking reports
- Ability to take action and make decisions in emergency and/or confrontational situations
- Basic computer operation skills

Required Physical Abilities Include the Following, But Are Not Limited To

- Must occasionally be subjected to strenuous situations in the apprehension of violators
- Must occasionally lift items weighing in excess of 50 pounds
- Work in inclement weather

Desired Training and Experience Requirements

- Any combination of training and experience that would indicate possession of the necessary knowledge, skills, and abilities listed above
- A valid Ohio Peace Officer's Certificate
- One year of law-enforcement experience, preferably in a natural resources setting
- Possession of a valid Ohio motor vehicle operator's license with a good driving record
- Satisfactory fingerprint and criminal background check and drug screening

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APPLICATION FOR EMPLOYMENT

(Pre-Employment Questionnaire • An Equal Opportunity Employer)

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You are being considered for a position with the Medina County Park District. It is the responsibility of the park district to ensure that candidates are suited for the position by virtue of their training and background.

As a part of the investigation, information gathered will include, but not be limited to, the

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