

**COLORADO SPRINGS POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**VOLUNTEER SERVICES**

**444-7441**

**VOLUNTEER JOB DESCRIPTION**

**POSITION:** Police Chaplain

**RESPONSIBLE TO:** Chaplain Steering Committee, Coordinator of Volunteers

**LOCATION:** Headquartered in the Police Operations Center, Works out of Chaplains' vehicle and all sub stations.

**GENERAL DESCRIPTION:** Provides the Police Department and citizens of Colorado Springs with the services of a chaplain on a regular basis, building and maintaining an attitude of cooperation and mutual respect between the Department and the citizens. Members of the Chaplaincy Corps are on call for counseling, consultation and other forms of human crisis intervention.

**RESPONSIBILITIES:**

1. Be available on-call two 24-hour days each month to respond to Department requests for on the scene crisis intervention regarding, but not limited to, suicides or threatened suicides, death notifications. (Chaplain's vehicle, radio and pager are provided.)
2. Ride with a patrol officer once a month for four hours, preferably the evening hours to respond to incidents and assist officer and/or citizens as needed. (Ride performed the day the Chaplain is on call.)
3. Be available to officers wanting spiritual guidance.
4. Respond to citywide critical incidents working with emergency responders to respond to the needs of victims and victims' families.
5. Participate in Department ceremonies and special assignments as requested.

**TIME REQUIRED:** A minimum of two 24-hour days per month, one 2 hour in-service training each month, and follow up on incidents as needed.

**TRAINING:** Half day orientation, three month training period requiring 6 rides with patrol officers and 4 hours in the Public Safety Communications Center, plus monthly in-service training. Individual training will be given by a mentor, a member of the Steering Committee. There will be a three month probationary period with on-going monthly contact with the mentor for a training period of one year.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Full-time or retired clergy, ordained/licensed by the members of a church or religious order; or ordained/licensed clergy associated professionally with a religious organization or social service agency.

**BENEFITS:** Gain new perspectives on the people and problems in our City, expand the experience base from which you minister to the people in your body of believers, gain an intimate

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knowledge of law enforcement, and get a better understanding of the men and women who protect our City.