

An Important Way to Help

Assistance in Disaster

In an effort to bolster homeland security here in Mesa, we have a very special volunteer position that we have added to our Volunteers in Police Service (V.I.P.S.) program: our Assistance in Disaster (A.I.D.) team. Volunteers in this position will be trained to respond in the event of a large-scale disaster (natural or man-made) to perform *your choice* of a variety of duties, such as:

- Perimeter control
- Search and rescue
- In-take and assignment of spontaneous volunteers
- Traffic control
- Emergency communications

Unlike our other V.I.P.S. positions, which require a minimum of eight (8) hours per month, this position does not have a monthly requirement. Instead, we ask you to commit to attending training—both initial and ongoing—in as many offered topics as you wish to learn. Your ability to successfully complete our V.I.P.S. background clearance process and your participation in the specialty training that we will provide will make you a tremendous asset to law enforcement in the event of a major occurrence.

This is one volunteer position that we hope we never have to make use of. However, knowing that you are committed, trained, and willing to help will play a vital role in safeguarding our community!