

What Services do VIPS perform?

Depending on the level of training and experience, VIPS volunteers may perform a variety of duties that include, but are not limited to:

- School and neighborhood events
- Crime prevention and safety events
- Office and Records section activities
- Police Department administrative support
- Internships
- Neighborhood Watch
- H.E.A.T. (Handicap Enforcement Action Team)
- The Springfield Chaplains Association
- The Police Cadet program



Join the Team!

Give the gift of your time!

A registered member of the national:



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VIPS PROGRAM

Volunteers In Police Service

Building a better community
through partnership.



What is the Springfield Police Department's VIPS program?

The Volunteers in Police Service program, or VIPS, is part of a national Volunteer in Police Service organization.

The Springfield Police Department has committed to actively utilize the special skills and general desire to contribute to the community that may be found in civilian volunteers.

The primary function of volunteers is to contribute to the overall mission of the Department by augmenting the existing personnel resources.

Volunteers, in any capacity, are not sworn officers and have no arrest powers or legal authority.



Volunteer Benefits:

- Helping others
 - Community involvement
 - Exploring a career
 - Meeting new and interesting people
 - Civic pride
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What are the program requirements?

Qualifications:

- ✓ Have a valid driver's license
- ✓ Successfully pass a background investigation
- ✓ Have no felony or serious misdemeanor convictions
- ✓ Interview
- ✓ Minimum 8 hours a month time commitment

How do I get started?

Call: 417-864-1351

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Email: Jconklin@springfieldmo.gov

For more information on this program and other programs such as the Citizens Police Academy and the Springfield Police Cadet program log onto:

www.springfieldmo.gov/spd/

For more information on the national VIPS program go to:

www.policevolunteers.org/

