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POLICY STATEMENT

The Dayton Police Department’s Neighborhood Assistance Officers are citizen volunteers responsible for providing public service support designed to relieve uniformed police personnel from non-enforcement duties.

Neighborhood Assistance Officers work in a part-time, unsalaried, non-sworn capacity because of their interest in contributing to the Dayton Police Department in a support capacity.

I. CRITERIA FOR SELECTION

A. The following criteria are used to select interested citizen volunteers for the Neighborhood Assistance Officer Program. The criteria listed are illustrative and the actual selection process may include other criteria as well. The prospective volunteer must:

1. Be at least 21 years of age.
2. Have a vested interest in the City of Dayton.
3. Have a valid Ohio Driver’s license.
4. Have no prior felony convictions or misdemeanors involving a weapon, violence or lack of moral character.
5. Have considerable knowledge of the assigned neighborhood (i.e., activities, problems, etc.).
6. Have a working knowledge of the various police operations and their relation to the community.
7. Have the ability to deal fairly and justly with complainant and accused alike.
8. Have the ability to interact effectively with diverse types of persons and convey concern for their welfare and interests to other agencies for correction.
9. Have the ability to work effectively with the uniformed police officer to mutually reverse negative social conditions in their area of responsibility.
10. Must successfully complete the Neighborhood Assistance Officer Training curriculum at the Dayton Police Academy and a succeeding minimum probationary period of six months.

II. EXAMPLES OF DUTIES PERFORMED

A Neighborhood Assistance Officer will perform, but is not limited to, the following duties:

- Assists the community in resolving problems when the services of a police officer are not required or essential.
- Answers dispatched requests for services of a non-enforcement nature.
- Works with police officers to improve operational efficiency in the assigned Police Division.
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