

## Fairfax County Job Openings - Detailed Description for Job #13-2419

Fairfax County Application Center, 12000 Government Center Pkwy., #270, Fairfax, VA 22035

### POLICE OFFICER I

Police Department

Job # 13-2419

\$49,083 to \$62,505 (Grade O17-2)

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**Description:** Provides essential law enforcement and public safety services to the community. Acts to enforce criminal laws, traffic regulations and maintain public order. Patrols designated area utilizing police vehicle. Conducts criminal and vehicle accident investigations. Effects arrests and testifies in court. Performs related work as required. Position works a varied shift schedule. (Day Shift: 5:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Evening Shift: 1:30 p.m. - 1 a.m.; and Midnight Shift: 7:30 p.m. - 7 a.m.)

**Minimum Qualifications:** Any combination of education, experience, and training equivalent to high school graduation or a G.E.D. issued by a state department of education. Successful completion of police recruit training.

**Special Requirements:** Possession of a valid motor vehicle driver's license is required at time of appointment.

By the end of the probationary period (one year), appointee must obtain the following: Certification as a Law Enforcement Officer by the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services; Certification in the Virginia Crime Information Network (VCIN) and Certification in Firearms Proficiency.

Individuals applying for a Police Officer I position must be 20 years old at the time an application is submitted to enter the academy, and must have reached age 21 at the time of graduation. Applicant must be a citizen of the United States; must satisfactorily complete a criminal background investigation, a polygraph examination, a psychological examination, and a physical ability test prior to appointment; must be able to perform essential job functions (reasonable accommodation may be made on a case-by-case-basis); must have never committed, been involved in, or been convicted of, a felony or serious misdemeanor and must be of good character and reputation. Incumbents shall not use any tobacco products on and off duty starting at the time of appointment and must be willing to sign a Condition of Employment Agreement acknowledging the prohibition of the use of tobacco products both on and off duty.

Subsequent to a conditional job offer, applicants must take and pass a

comprehensive medical examination, including drug testing and a vision standard not worse than 20/200, provided there has been at least three months of success wearing soft contact lenses.

**Preferred Qualifications:** Associate or higher degree in law enforcement, public administration or related field. Prior law enforcement or military experience. Current law enforcement officer certification in the Commonwealth of Virginia. Professional working proficiency, or higher, in one or more of the following languages: Spanish, Korean, and/or Vietnamese.

**Selection Procedure:** All applicants must successfully complete an Applicant Initial Screening Guide available at:  
[www.fairfaxcounty.gov/hr/pdf/policeapplicantinitialscreeningform.pdf](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/hr/pdf/policeapplicantinitialscreeningform.pdf), print and submit by mail or hand delivery:

Police Department  
Administrative Support Bureau  
Attn: Recruiting and Testing  
4100 Chain Bridge Road, 10th Floor  
Fairfax, VA 22030

Highly qualified applicants will receive further processing that will include: polygraph examination; physical ability test; background interview; comprehensive background investigation and final selection interview.

**Note:** Recruits must successfully complete 24 weeks of paid training at the Fairfax County Criminal Justice Academy, followed by a one-year probationary period.

**To Apply:** Refer to the Selection Procedure above.

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**Closing Date:** 2/28/2014

**Date Posted:** 1/11/2014

**Benefits:**

Most positions advertised here are merit system positions funded for full benefits such as health insurance, retirement, life insurance and paid leave. Follow the link for details on Fairfax County's comprehensive [benefits program](#) for merit system employees. If a position is not funded for benefits that information will generally be included in the job announcement.