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**Avondale Police Department Volunteer Interest Application**

**APPLICANT INFORMATION**

* Thank you for your interest in volunteering with the Avondale Police Department VIPS program. The Avondale Police Department depends on assistance from volunteers to help provide needed support and services to the Department and to Avondale.
* It is the policy of the Avondale Police Department to use qualified volunteers for specified tasks and duties. Please note that allApplicants must be at least 18 years of age and pass a background investigation to participate in the VIPS Program. Some assignments require a minimum age of 21.
* We ask that all VIPS commit to a minimum of eight hours a month of volunteer hours.
* Please complete this Volunteer Interest Application fully and sign the signature line on the last page. Any false, misleading, or incomplete information will be grounds to disqualify you from volunteering with the Avondale Police Department. Your answers will be verified by a Polygraph exam.
* The information you provide will be used in the evaluation process to become a Volunteer with the Avondale Police Department. If you are determined to be eligible for the VIPS program, you will be contacted and then asked to complete a Background Questionnaire with a follow-up Background Interview.

Return your completed Volunteer Application to:

**Suzanne Hogue, Volunteer Coordinator**

Avondale Police Department

11485 W. Civic Center Drive

Avondale, AZ 85323

623-333-7341

shogue@avondaleaz.gov

FAX: 623-478-3831

**AVONDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**Volunteer Interest Application**

Directions: Please fill out this Interest Application completely and make sure your handwriting is legible.

Last Name First Middle

Residence Address City, State Zip Code

Telephone Email Address

How did you find out about Avondale Police Department’s Volunteers in Police Service (VIPS) program?

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***Work/School Status***

**Are you currently enrolled in school**? Y\_\_ N\_\_

If yes, please list school/work information:

School Address City/State

Course of Study Number of semester credit hours

**Are you currently employed**? Y\_\_ N\_\_

If yes, please list school/work information:

Employer Address City/State

Job Title/Job tasks Number of work hours each week

***Volunteer Experience***

Please list your current/previous volunteer experience.

 Agency Address City/State

Position and Duties Dates of Volunteering Supervisor

***Law Enforcement Experience***

Have you applied to any law enforcement agencies as an employee or volunteer previously?

If so, please list those agencies that you have submitted an application to:

Agency/Position Date (mo. /yr.) City/State

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***Availability***

Avondale VIPS are asked to commit to a minimum of 8 volunteer hours a month.

What days and hours are you available to volunteer?

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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***Special Skills***

Please describe or list your skills in this section and note the specifics as they apply to you:

* Are you proficient in any language other than English? If yes, what Language? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Do you have any certifications? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Do you have computer/software skills, research skills and other IT skills?

If yes, please list\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

* Do you have emergency or disaster skills/training? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Do you have Criminal Justice knowledge or education? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

***Work Traits and Skills***

Please review the following work traits and skills and circle which ones describe you best. Also note an example of how you demonstrate this when working or volunteering in the past.

* *Communicating with the public in person*
* *Active listening skills*
* *Attention to detail*
* *Verbal skills*
* *Able to work independently*
* *Prefer to work with others*
* *Can follow verbal and written directions*
* *Solve problems easily*
* *Well organized*
* *Prefer to work in a busy area*
* *Like doing only one thing but doing it well*

List your responses in this area:

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Please tell us why you would like to be a Volunteer with the Avondale Police Department?

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***I certify that I am qualified to move forward in the process to become a VIPS with the Avondale Police Department. I am available to volunteer approximately eight hours per month.***

**Signature:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

***Note: This application must be signed and dated for further consideration to join the Avondale Police Department VIPS Program.***