## HELP WANTED: New Bedford Police Department is hiring for a Dispatcher position

## PAY: \$17.91hr - \$21.52hr

Answers telephone calls promptly and courteously, and expeditiously routes calls to their proper destination. Immediately dispatches patrol cars, ambulances, fire apparatus, rescue squads or other personnel and equipment as may be needed to handle all complaints and requests for assistance.

Monitors the status of all units displayed on the CAD (Computer Aided Dispatching) status screens to determine their availability to respond to calls for service and is always aware of assignments of all units. Immediately notifies appropriate authority regarding any unusual occurrence or situation that may adversely affect the delivery of emergency services or any services required of the dispatch center.

Thoroughly familiar with all the various pieces of equipment within the Communications Unit and immediately initiates action when they need repairs. Exercises care in the operation of the unit and the use of all equipment, supplies and utilities. Acquires and/or maintains such computer skills necessary for the proper performance of dispatch and record keeping duties. Conducts testing of emergency systems and makes minor repairs as training allows.

Thoroughly familiar with, and strictly adheres to, all policies, procedures, rules, regulations and laws regulating the duties. Will not divulge, or permit any personnel to divulge, any information relative to any matter or person, without the permission of appropriate authority in accordance with the provisions of all applicable policies, procedures, rules, regulations and laws.

High school graduate or GED equivalent. One to three years' experience in general office procedures, dealing with the public, computer knowledge and public safety preferred. Basic knowledge of the principles involved in the operation of radio telephone, computers and related communication equipment. Preference will be given to applicants who have certification on NCC/LEAPS (National Communications Center/Law Enforcement Agencies Processing Systems) computer, Telecommunication certification, CPR (Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation) and EMD (Emergency Medical Dispatching). Ability to communicate clearly and concisely under emergency conditions orally and in writing. Must pass an in-depth police background check. Ability to handle highly confidential and sensitive information with discretion and good judgment.

For more information, please visit:

Employment Opportunities

Applications will be accepted until a suitable candidate is found. EEO

New Bedford has a residency requirement.