The City of Whitewright, Texas is accepting applications for a full-time Peace Officer. Applicants must be highly motivated, committed to public service, and professionalism. The full-time position is hourly with a pay rate review after completing a 90 day probationary period. Basic requirements for a police officer, the job description and essential requirements for the position are listed below.

As a Police Officer, you will be crucial in ensuring public safety, enforcing laws, and maintaining order within the community. Responsibilities include, but are not limited to, conducting routine patrols to monitor and deter criminal activity. Respond to emergency calls and incidents promptly. Enforce federal, state, and local laws and ordinances. Also, conducting investigations, making arrests, and issuing citations. Gather and preserve evidence for criminal cases. Build positive relationships with community members to foster trust and collaboration. Attend community events, assist with traffic management during special events, and address public concerns. Monitor and control traffic flow, enforce traffic laws, direct traffic, and respond to accidents. Respond to emergencies, including natural disasters, accidents, and civil disturbances. Provide assistance to other emergency services as needed. Maintain detailed and accurate records of incidents, investigations, and interactions. Prepare reports for court appearances and testify as required. Participate in ongoing training to stay updated on laws, law enforcement techniques, and departmental procedures. Pursue opportunities for professional development and perform other duties as assigned.

## **Requirements:**

- Must be a U.S. Citizen.
- Education: High School Diploma or a High School Equivalency Certificate.
- Applicants must possess a valid Texas driver's license, able to operate a motor vehicle, and have a safe driving record.
- Strong written and verbal communication skills to communicate with personnel and public.
- Demonstrate commitment to integrity, ethical behavior and make sound judgements.
- Possess a firm reassuring manner, be capable of quick thinking, able to make sound judgment calls under pressure, and effectively resolve conflicts.
- Be physically free from any defect that may adversely affect the performance or duty as a police officer including but not limited to carrying, lifting, seeing, driving, walking, running, and arresting violator.
- Must be flexible and able to work inside and outside, and rotating shifts including weekends, nights, and holidays. Regular and timely attendance is required.
- Operate a variety of office equipment including but not limited to personal computers, telephone, calculator, and two-way radio system. Able to access, input, and retrieve information from computer systems.
- Successfully complete a drug screening, oral interview board, a comprehensive background investigation including credit check, and personal references.
- If applicable, an honorable discharge from the United States Armed Forces is required.
- Must hold a certification from TCOLE (Texas Commission on Law Enforcement). For a complete list of the state's licensing requirements, please visit TCOLE at www.tcole.texas.gov.
- Never been on court-ordered community supervision or probation for any criminal offense above the grade of Class B misdemeanor or a Class B misdemeanor within the last ten years from the date of the court order. Has never been convicted or placed on community supervision in any court of an offense involving family violence as defined under Chapter 71, Texas Family Code.

## Renefits

- Competitive Salary based on experience, starting at \$21.00 per hour
- Health Insurance including Vision and Dental
- TMRS Retirement Plan 2:1 @ 7%
- Paid Time Off
- Ongoing Training and Professional Development Opportunities
- Beard and tattoo friendly

It is the policy of the City of Whitewright to provide equal employment opportunity (EEO) to all persons regardless of age, color, national origin, citizenship status, physical or mental impairment, race, religion, creed, gender, sex, sexual orientation, or any other characteristic protected by federal, state, or local law. This position will remain open until filled. Application and Personal History Statement packets may be obtained on the TCOLE website and submitted to Whitewright City Hall located at 206 W. Grand, Whitewright, TX 75491 or mailed to: PO Box 966, Whitewright, Texas 75491. All applications must be hand delivered during business hours or mailed, we do not accept applications via email or messenger.