

Personal History Questionnaire Instructions

The personal history questionnaire is a vital step in the hiring process. Please take due care in completing the questionnaire with exacting detail. Every section must be completed with no errors or omissions. Applicants are cautioned that any omission or misleading information is immediate grounds for removal from the hiring process.

The personal history questionnaire must be completed by the applicant. The questionnaire can be typed or hand-printed in black ink. Applicants must include the documents outlined below with their application. (Copies only. Do not include originals as they will not be returned.)

Please ensure the following documents are included in the order listed:

- 1. Recent Photograph (taken within the last 90 days)
- 2. Copy of Birth Certificate
- 3. Copy of State Driver's License
- 4. Copy of POST Class "A" License
- 5. Police Academy Certificate
- 6. Summary of Advanced Police Training (Not Copies of Certificates)
- 7. DD-214 Long Form (if applicable)
- 8. Student Copy of College Transcript
- 9. Copies of 3 police reports the applicant has authored

Incomplete applications will not be considered. Should you have any questions or need additional information, please contact the Chief of Police at 636-498-6464, Ext. 400.

Thank you for considering the Cottleville Police Department.



Mission

Defend, protect and preserve the quality of life in Cottleville.

Vision

The Cottleville Police Department is committed to providing quality police service to our community with the highest level of professionalism and integrity. We dedicate ourselves to proactively solving problems, preventing, and fighting crime, and promoting a higher quality of life by working in partnership with the community.

Core Values:

Reverence for the Law

Unwavering support of the freedoms and rights guaranteed to all persons in the Constitution

Integrity in All We Say and Do

A pledge to hold ourselves to the highest legal, moral and ethical standards

Respect for People

We believe in treating every person with dignity and respect

Excellence through Continuous Improvement

We will strive to be at the "tip of the spear", leading change, never satisfied with the status quo

Personal Courage

Ever ready to face fear, danger or adversity both physical and mental



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PERSONAL The following information is requested of you for verification and contact purposes:

1. Your Name (p	lease prii	nt or ty	pe)			
Last		-	First	Ν	Middle	
Other names (ind	cluding n	icknam	nes) you have used or	been known by:		
2. Please list address at which you can be contacted.						
Number	Street		City		State Zip Code	
3 Please list two	local tel	ephone	e numbers at which	()	()	
3. Please list two local telephone numbers at which you can be contacted and the hours during which				Hrs. during which you	Hrs. during which you	
you will be availa			5	can be contacted:	can be contacted:	
j						
4. Birth date						
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(Month) (Day)	(Year)			u provide such documentation?	
				IYES 🗆 NO		
6. Social Security	vumber				4 diasta suma is us hundamu. The	
					4, disclosure is voluntary. The	
			obtained.)	enuncation purposes to ens	sure that proper records are	
For the purposes of	of identific	ation, p	lease provide the followi	na:		
Height	1	Weight			Eye Color	
Scars, tattoos, or o	other distir	nguishir	ng marks:			

RELATIVES AND REFERENCES

During the course of the background investigation, persons who know you will be asked to comment upon your suitability for the position of peace officer. Inquiries will be confined to job-relevant matters.

8. Please supply the appropriate information in the spaces provided below. If a category is not applicable, write "N/A."					
If living, name of your:	Address where person can be contacted (Include City, State, and Zip Code	Telephone at which person can be contacted			
Father	() Home () Work () Other	() Home () Work () Other			
Mother	() Home () Work () Other	() Home () Work () Other			
Father-in-Law	() Home () Work () Other	() Home () Work () Other			
Mother-in-Law	() Home () Work () Other	() Home () Work () Other			
Spouse	() Home () Work () Other	() Home () Work () Other			
Former Spouse (s)	() Home () Work () Other	() Home () Work () Other			



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RELATIVES AND REFERENCES (Continued)

If living, name of yo		here person ty, State, an	can be contacted Id Zip Code	Telephone at which person can be contacted		
Spouse (s) Continue	ed	() Home	() Work	() Other	() Home () Work () Other	
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		() Home	() Work	() Other	() Home () Work () Other	
		() Home	() Work	() Other	() Home () Work () Other	
Step-Mother		() Home	() Work	() Other	() Home () Work () Other	
Step-Father		() Home	() Work	() Other	() Home () Work () Other	
Step-brother(s) and	Step-sister(s)	() Home	() Work	() Other	() Home () Work () Other	
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Other relatives w	vith whom you	have a clos	e nersonal	l relationship (incl	uding children)	
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RELATIVES AND REFERENCES (Continued)

10. In the space below, please list Exclude relatives and former emp		uals who have	knowledge of yo	ou and your qualifications.		
Name:	Address where person ca (Include City, State, and		d Telephone contacted	e at which person can be		
	() Home () Work () Other	() Home	() Work () Other		
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EDUCATION						
 diploma or its equivalent. Please i appropriate boxes. I possess a high school diplom I possess a G.E.D. (General E I possess a two-year college of I possess a four-year college of 	11. The Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training requires a peace officer to possess a U.S. high school diploma or its equivalent. Please indicate your current situation with regard to this requirement by checking one of the appropriate boxes. I possess a high school diploma from a U.S. Institution. I possess a Master's Degree I possess a G.E.D. (General Educational Development) test I possess a Doctorate Degree I possess a two-year college degree I have a POST "Class A" Certification I possess a four-year college or university degree I am currently enrolled in the Police Academy. My scheduled graduation date I possess 60 college credits with a grade of "C" or above I possess a poctor active of the police active of the po					
12. Please indicate below all the s investigation, persons who have k records may be made in conjuncti	nown you in a learning envi					
	Logation of School	Dates Att	ended	School References		
Name of School	Location of School (city and state)	From Month/Year	To Month/Year	(teachers, counselors, etc.)		



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EDUCATION (continued)

13. Have you ever been suspended or expelled from any high school or post-secondary school? (Post-secondary schools include two and four-year colleges, universities, business and vocational schools or any formal education beyond the high schoollevel.)

If "yes", please explain (include school, date, and circumstances).

RESIDENCE

Individuals who have become acquainted with you by reason of your residing in different locations, are often helpful in providing useful information for the background investigation.

14. Please list all of your residences during the last 10 years (list no information prior to your 15th birthday.) Begin with your most current residence.

		Dates At	tended	If rented, give name & address of the person	
Address of Residence	Idress of Residence City, State & Zip Code		To Month/Year	address of the person responsible for the collection of rent.	



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EXPERIENCE AND EMPLOYMENT

15. Beginning with your most current employment, please list all jobs (including part-time, temporary, and voluntary positions) you have held in the past 15 years. (For the purposes of this personal history questionnaire, volunteer work should be included as employment.) For identification and verification, please indicate the nature of the activity, i.e. full-time, part-time, or voluntary. If you have had intervening periods of military service or unemployment, please list those periods in sequence in the spaces provided.

Dates of Employment	Name and Address of Employer	Name of Supervisor
From To Month/Year Month/Year	Name:	
	Address:	
/		Name (s) of co-worker(s)
Full-time	Telephone Number: ()	
☐ Part-time☐ Voluntary	Title or duties (for identification purposes)	
Reason for leaving		
☐ Military Service ☐	Not employed From: Month/Year	To: Month/Year /
Dates of Employment	Name and Address of Employer	Name of Supervisor
From To Month/Year Month/Year	Name:	
	Address:	Name (s) of co-worker(s)
☐ Full-time	Telephone Number: ()	
☐ Part-time☐ Voluntary	Title or duties (for identification purposes)	
Reason for leaving	·	
☐ Military Service ☐	Not employed From: Month/Year	To: Month/Year /



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EXPERIENCE AND EMPLOYMENT (continued)

Dates of Employment	Name and Address of Employer	Name of Supervisor
From To Month/Year Month/Year	Name: Address:	Name (s) of co-worker(s)
☐ Full-time☐ Part-time☐ Voluntary	Telephone Number: () Title or duties (for identification purposes)	
Reason for leaving:		
Military Service	Not employed From: Month/Year T	o: Month/Year /
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From To Month/Year Month/Year	Name: Address:	Name (s) of co-worker(s)
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☐ Military Service ☐	Not employed From: Month/Year T	o: Month/Year /



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EXPERIENCE AND EMPLOYMENT (continued)

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From To Month/Year Month/Year /// Full-time	Name: Address: Telephone Number: ()	Name (s) of co-worker(s)
 Part-time Voluntary Reason for leaving 	Title or duties (for identification purposes)	
☐ Military Service ☐	Not employed From: Month/Year T	o: Month/Year /
Dates of Employment	Name and Address of Employer	Name of Supervisor
From To Month/Year Month/Year	Name: Address:	Name (s) of co-worker(s)
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Reason for leaving		
☐ Military Service ☐	Not employed From: Month/Year T	o: Month/Year /
Dates of Employment	Name and Address of Employer	Name of Supervisor
From To Month/Year Month/Year	Name: Address:	Name (s) of co-worker(s)
☐ Full-time☐ Part-time☐ Voluntary	Telephone Number: () Title or duties (for identification purposes)	
Reason for leaving	Not employed From: Month/Year T	o: Month/Year
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EXPERIENCE AND EMPLOYMENT (continued)
 16. Would any problem result if your present employer were contacted during the background investigation? Yes I no, when should such contact be made?
17. If you have had no prior employment, please explain in the space below.
18. Have you had any extended work absences for reason other than earned vacations? Yes No If yes, please explain. (Include when, name of employer, and why).
19. Have you ever been fired, asked to resign, or resigned under an active disciplinary investigation from any place of employment? Yes Vou
20. Have you ever been either a successful or unsuccessful candidate for another position requiring peace officer powers? If yes, please give details. (Include when, name of Yes No agency, and circumstances).



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MILITARY SERVICE

21. If you are male and	unde	r age 26, please	provide the follo	wing:			
Selective Service Num	ber	Approximate Date of Registration Address at 1			ime of Reg	istration	
22. Have you ever serv If yes, please suppl				, or militar	y reserves?	□ Yes □	No
Branch of Service	Se	rvice Number	Dates o	f Service _to	T	ype of Disc	charge
23. Are you <u>currently</u> pa	articipa	ating in any milita	ary reserve or Na	tional Gua	ard program?	□ Yes □	No
24. Have you ever bee National Guard, or r			dicial or non-judi	cial discipl	inary action while		tary, ❑ No
If yes, please give deta	ils. (In	clude branch of	service, when, w	/here, and	circumstances).		
25. Past commanding of pertaining to your back information about you.							
News		O and a st A		Oranta	- t T - l b	Years I	Known
Name		Contact A	ddress	Conta	ct Telephone	From	То



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FINANCIAL

26. The management of personal finances is relevant to an individual's qualifications for the position of peace officer. Therefore, please fill in the financial questionnaire below. Be complete and accurate. The amount of indebtedness will not be used in evaluation of your qualifications, but rather the behavior exhibited in meeting your financial obligations will be considered.

CURRENT MONTHLY	CURRENT MONTHLY EXPENDITURES			
Monthly Salary	\$ Real Estate (mortgage) payment(s)	\$		
Spouse's Salary	Rent			
Other monthly income –				
Describe:	Other monthly payments – Describe:			
	Estimated monthly cost of living (including utilities, food, gasoline, home and car maintenance, entertainment, etc.) and any other obligations.			
TOTAL MONTHLY INCOME	\$ TOTAL MONTHLY EXPENDITURES	\$		

CURRENT ASSETS			CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Savings	\$		Real Estate Indebtedness	\$	
Checking			Long-term Loans Charge Accounts		
Real Estate			Auto Loans		
Stocks and Bonds Life Insurance (cash value of whole life policy)			Other Liabilities – Describe		
Other Assets – Describe:					

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TOTAL ASSETS ^{\$} TOTAL LIABILITIES ^{\$}		
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FINANCIAL (continued)

Name of Firm	Address	Account Numbe	
 Have you ever filed for o If yes, please give details 	r declared bankruptcy? s. (Include when, where, why).	□Yes □No)
	er been turned over to a collection agency? s. (Include when, firms involved, circumstances).	□ Yes □ No)
0. Have you ever had purch		□ Yes □ No)
If yes, please give details	s. (Include when, firms involved, circumstances).		



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FINANCIAL (continued) 31. Have your wages ever been garnished? If yes, please give details. (Include when, where, why). 32. Have you ever been delinquent on income or other tax payments? If yes, please give detains. (Include when, where, why).

LEGAL

33. If you have ever bee following information:	en arrested or convicted for any crin	ne (excluding traffic citations), plea	ase give the	
Approx. Date	Police Agency	Circumstances		
	l placed on court probation as an ad	ult? Yes] No	
If yes, please give d	etails. (Include when, where, why).			
35. Were you ever requi committed by an adu	ired to appear before a juvenile cour ult?	t for an act which would have beer	n a crime if	
•	etails (Include when, where, why).	□ Yes [∃ No	



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LEGAL (continued)

36. Have you ever been reported to a law enforcement agency as a missing person or a runaway?
If yes, please give details. (Include date, law enforcement agency, circumstances). \Box Yes $~~\Box$ No
37. Are you now or have you ever been involved as a plaintiff or defendant in any civil court action?
If yes, please give details. (Include when, where, name and location of court, circumstances).
□ Yes
□ No

MOTOR VEHICLE OPERATION

Operation of a motor vehicle is an integral part of the position of patrol officer. An investigation of your driving history will be made through a records check. To expedite this procedure, please supply the following information.

38. Missouri driver's licen	se number:	Expiration Date			
Name under which license was granted:					
39. Please list other state	s where you have been licen	sed to operate a motor ve	hicle.		
State:	State:	State	State:		
Name under which License was granted:	Name under which license was granted:	Name under which license was granted:	Name under which license was granted:		
-	efused a driver's license by a (Include when, where, why)	5	□Yes □No		
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MOTOR VEHICLE OPERATION (continued)

41. Missouri law requires insurance. Therefore	s that operators and ow e, please list the current				
Company	Address		Policy Number		Date of Expiration
42. Diagon list all traffic a	itationa (avaluda narkir	a citationa)		received with	in the last 5 years
42. Please list all traffic of	stations (exclude parkir	ig citations)	you nave	received with	in the last 5 years.
Nature of Violation	Location (City)	Approximate		Approximate Date Indicate whether fined or action take on driver's license	
43. Have you ever been If yes, please give de	involved as a driver in a stails for each accident.	a motor vehi	cle accide	ent within the I	ast 5 years? □ Yes □ No
Date	Location			🗆 Inju	ury 🛛 Non-injury
Police Investigation □ Yes □ No	Police Agency				
Date	Location			🗆 Inju	ury 🛛 Non-injury
Police Investigation	Police Agency			· · ·	
Date	Location		ury 🛛 Non-injury		
Police Investigation	Police Agency			· · ·	
Date	Location			🗆 Inju	ıry □ Non-injury
Police Investigation □ Yes □ No	Police Agency				



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MOTOR VEHICLE OPERATION (continued)

44. If there is anything you wish to discuss about your driving record, please use the space below.
45. Has your license ever been suspended, revoked, or placed on negligent operator's probation? If yes, please give details (Include what, when, where, why).

GENERAL INFORMATION

46. Have you ever been refused insurance for any reason other than failure to pay a premium?				
If yes, please explain. (Include cor	npany name and address,	date, and reason.)	□ Yes	□ No
47. Have you ever applied for a permi	it to carry a concealed wea	apon?		
If yes, please provide the following	g information:		□ Yes	□ No
Permit granted?	Date	Name of law enforce	ement agen	су



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PERSONAL DECLARATIONS

48. Describe your frequency and extent of alcohol consumption:
49. Have you ever used marijuana or any other non-prescribed drug? □ Yes □ No If yes, please explain.
50. Have you ever taken prescription medication that was NOT prescribed to you?
If yes, please explain.
51. Have you ever given a drug that was prescribed to you to any other person for any reason? If yes, please explain. □ Yes □ No
52. Are you currently taking any prescription medication or approved for medical marijuana use?□ Yes □ No If yes, please list the medication and what it is prescribed for.
53. Do you have any religious or other beliefs that would prohibit you from doing any duties of a police officer? □ Yes □ No
54. Is there any reason that would inhibit your ability to act as a police officer? (i.e., working nights, weekends, or variations). □ Yes □ No
55. Have you ever done anything considered "illegal" for which you have not been caught?
I hereby certify that all statements made in this personal history questionnaire are true and complete, and I understand that any misstatement of material facts will be subject to disqualification or dismissal. Signature in Full Date Completed



COTTLEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT Police Officer Applicant Personal History Questionnaire

WORK CLIMATE

56. The Cottleville Police Department is organized in a para-military fashion with a strict chain of command that requires strict obedience to the organization and mission. This type of environment is not well suited for every candidate. Describe why you think you would enjoy working in this setting: 57. Police Officers who are passionate about the mission of "policing" are those that tend to be most successful in Cottleville. Typical behaviors and requirements associated with this passion are: Ability to respond to work from an off-duty posture, ability to change schedule(s) at the last minute, a desire to bring new skill sets to the agency (and then utilize same), willingness to place the needs of the agency a priority over personal needs, positive personalities who recognize the potential advantages of working in a small agency and willing to look past the disadvantages of same. Describe why you think you would be well suited to succeed in this work environment and provide examples of how you already exhibit this type of behavior:

WORK CLIMATE CONTINUED

58. The Cottleville Police Department is not interested in screening applicants who merely "need a job" and are applying at multiple agencies in hopes that "someone" will hire them. To that end, please describe in specific detail why you want to work for the Cottleville Police Department, why you think you would thrive in the Cottleville Police Department and long-term career goal(s) with the Cottleville Police Department: 59. The Cottleville Police Department takes great pride serving the citizens of the City of Cottleville. If you were employed as a police officer at another agency, please describe in specific details how that agency failed to meet your needs as an employee. What expectations of yours were not met? What steps did you take to improve the agency? What would you change if you possessed the authority to implement change?



READ AND SIGN THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT:

The information in this personal history questionnaire contains true, complete, and accurate statements. I understand that withholding any information, falsification, or misrepresentation of any information in this booklet will result in disqualification.

Signature of Applicant

Date