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RECRUITMENT PROGRAM	Supercedes/ Amends:	PD 14-0208	
	Reference:	31.3.	1, 31.1.2, 31.3.1 2, 31.3.4 100 and PT 0104



# I. Purpose

The purpose of this directive is to establish a recruitment program for both sworn and non-sworn vacancies within the Lynchburg Police Department.

# II. Policy

It shall be the policy of the Lynchburg Police Department to maintain a recruitment program designed to attract and evaluate qualified applicants for all current or projected vacancies.

#### III. Procedure

# A. GENERAL

- 1. The Staff Suport Division Lieutenant will be responsible for administration of the recruitment program.
- 2. The Personnel and Recruiting Unit Sergeant will coordinate the daily operations of the recruitment program and:
  - a. assist the Chief of Police in seeking recruitment assistance, referrals and advice from community organizations and community leaders
  - solicit the assistance of all agency employees in recruitment activities, including the active involvement of minority employees.

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# B. <u>RESPONSIBILITIES OF PERSONNEL & RECRUITING UNIT SERGEANT</u>

1. Recruitment functions of the Personnel & Recruiting Unit Sergeant will include the following:

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- a. Coordinating and analyzing the department's Recruitment Plan
  - 1) The Analysis of the Recruitment Plan shall occur annually, and include,
    - a. progress towards stated objectives,
    - b. any needed revisions to the plan, and
    - c. demographic data of the departments sworn personnel
- b. Ensuring that job announcements are advertised throughout the community. Announcements should include the following applicable descriptive information on the positions to be filled:
  - 1) duties entailed
  - 2) responsibilities entailed
  - 3) skills required
  - 4) education level required
  - 5) physical requirements, if applicable
- b. Publicizing department vacancies through the City Human Resources Office.
  - Vacancies will be advertised through electronic, print or other media.

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- 2) All recruiting advertisements will identify the department as an Equal Opportunity Employer.
- 3) Recruiting advertisements will also be directed to areas designed to attract qualified minority and protected class candidates.
- 4) Recruiting advertisments will identify any applicable application filing deadlines
- c. When available, attending local recruitment sessions at educational institutions, community organizations, etc.
- d. Attending recruiting events sponsored by educational institutions outside the Lynchburg area in order to attract the broadest possible base of qualified applicants.

- e. Coordinating the initial application process with the City Human Resources Office.
  - 1) All applicants must be referred to the City Human Resources Office for such purposes.
  - 2) Basic employment information regarding department procedures may be conveyed to applicants as necessary.
- f. Updating recruitment brochures, literature and computer-based data.

## 31.1.2

- 2. Employees assigned to the recruiting function within the Personnel and Recruiting Unit will receive training or instruction in the following:
  - a. Equal Opportunity (EEOC) regulations.
  - b. guidelines for compliance with federal and state hiring mandates.
  - c. background investigations

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# C. APPLICANT CONTACTS

- 1. The Personnel and Recruiting Unit will maintain and document contact with all applicants from the time the department receives the application until employment disposition, and will:
  - a. periodically inform applicants of their application status as necessary
  - b. record contacts with applicants where necessary, and maintain such documentation in an applicant file.

## 31.3.4

- Employment Applications and Personal History Statements will not be rejected due to unintentional omissions or deficiencies which may be corrected prior to the initial written examination or interview process.
  - a. Personnel and Recruiting Unit personnel will:
    - 1) review each application filed for such discrepancies, and
    - 2) provide the applicant with an opportunity to correct the form prior to the written examination.
  - b. Upon receipt of an employment application with errors or omissions, Personnel & Recruiting Unit personnel:

- 1) where appropriate, will notify the applicant to rectify such errors prior to further processing, *or*
- 2) may disqualify applicants who have intentionally omitted information, or who have included incorrect, misleading or false statements.

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- Upon receipt of a Lynchburg Police Department Personal History Statement with unintentional errors or omissions, the Personnel and Recruiting Unit Sergeant
  - 1) where appropriate, will notify the applicant to rectify any inadvertent errors prior to further processing, *or*
  - 2) may disqualify applicants who have intentionally omitted information or who have included incorrect, misleading or false statements.

Original Signed
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