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Police VIPS Applications Being Accepted

EL PASO, Texas — The El Paso Police Department continues to accept applications for the new volunteer program called Volunteers In Patrol Service (VIPS). This program allows community members to work with the El Paso Police Department to address quality of life issues.

The VIPS program invites residents who would like to serve their community to become ambassadors for the City of El Paso and the Police Department by becoming knowledgeable on many common neighborhood concerns experienced by residents. Among those concerns are Neighborhood Watches, Abandoned Vehicles, Code Violations, Graffiti, and Code Watch requests.

Residents who wish to participate in the program must meet the following requirements:

- ✓ Be a resident of the City of El Paso
- ✓ Be at least 21 years old
- ✓ Have a valid driver's license
- ✓ Not have any felony convictions
- ✓ Not have any Class A Misdemeanor convictions
- ✓ Not have a Class B Misdemeanor Convictions in the last five years
- ✓ Not have a D.W.I. conviction within the last ten years
- ✓ Agree to pass a criminal history check
- ✓ Participate in an oral interview
- ✓ Complete all required training

Additionally, participants must have attended a Citizen Police Academy or must attend one within twelve months of participating with VIPS. Applications are available at all Police Regional Commands and Police Headquarters or online at EPPD.org, or use this link to download it directly

<https://www.elpasotexas.gov/assets/Documents/CoEP/Police/Community-Policing/Volunteer-Application.pdf>

Anyone with questions regarding the program may email their questions to askpd@elpasotexas.gov or may contact Sgt. Javier Sambrano at (915) 212-4312.



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