

CITY OF SANTA CLARA, CALIFORNIA
ASSISTANT POLICE CHIEF

(Unclassified)

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EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE

Any education or experience equivalent to:

- Possession of a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice, Police Science, Business Administration, or an approved related field, and
- Minimum of two (2) years experience as a Police Lieutenant with the City of Santa Clara.

Desirable experience to include:

- Successful completion (and application of the concepts) of the P.O.S.T. Supervisory Leadership Institute (SLI), FBI National Academy, or P.O.S.T. Command College;
- At least two (2) years experience at the Police Sergeant level or higher in one of the following assignments: Personnel, Training, Professional Standards, Reserve Police Unit Director, or Traffic Lieutenant;
- Applicant should have served as a Police Sergeant or Police Lieutenant in more than one division for at least two (2) years; and
- Consideration will be given to applicants who have actively sought a diversity of assignments.

LICENSES

Possession of an appropriate, valid California driver's license is required.

CERTIFICATION

Possession of an Advanced P.O.S.T. Certificate and P.O.S.T. Management Certificate is required.

DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS

This is a sworn leadership position in the Police Department. The Assistant Police Chief is responsible for the overall daily operation of the Police Department, requiring thorough knowledge of all department operations, as well as a complete working knowledge of the Department's budget, including its preparation, administration, and oversight. The incumbent acts as the Chief of Police in his/her absence. This position will oversee the administration of the functions of the Professional Standards Unit and other persons as required.

An incumbent in this classification: demonstrates strong ethical, professional, and service-oriented leadership and interpersonal skills; commands the respect of, and sets a good example for, his/her superiors, peers, and subordinates; understands, accepts, and correctly applies the tenets of the Department's philosophy and values; has established and maintains a good rapport with other City departments and Department Heads; exercises good independent judgment and discretion; manages and directs employees as required; formulates and oversees administrative policies for the effective use of assigned personnel and budgets; and consistently demonstrates a

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willingness to cooperate with the remainder of the Management Team, other members of the Department, and other City offices.

As a member of the City's Unclassified Service, this is an "at will" position, and the incumbent serves at the discretion of the City Manager. An incumbent in this classification: demonstrates strong ethical, professional, and service-oriented leadership and interpersonal skills; sets a good example; and correctly applies the tenets of the City's Code of Ethics and Values.

TYPICAL DUTIES

This description may not include all the duties listed below, nor do the examples cover all duties that may be performed.

With general direction:

- Manages the various functions of all divisions, in formulating and revising general orders on policy and procedure, in analyzing operations, and in the assignment of personnel;
- Studies and does research on police field activities and in administrative matters;
- Takes over responsible charge of the personnel, activities and equipment of the Police Department in the absence of the Chief of Police;
- Maintains discipline;
- Confers with officers and supervisors in regards to departmental working relationships;
- Periodically inspects and appraises all officers' work during tours of duty;
- Assists in the preparation of the annual budget and the annual report;
- Receives reports forwarded to the Chief's Office and refers to the Chief of Police all matters of importance requiring his/her attention;
- Consults with and keeps City Manager informed of matters of importance; gives such information as may be desired upon police questions, and acts on or disposes of them in accordance with the policy of the Chief of Police;
- Maintains effective public relations in the field and in the office, including addressing public gatherings;
- Initiates correspondence;
- Prepares special reports;
- Coordinates the investigation of complaints referred to the Chief's Office by the City Manager, other City Departments, or members of the public;
- Handles routine assignments; and does related work as required, and
- Performs other duties as assigned.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES

Thorough knowledge of:

- Personnel administration and police science.

Knowledge of:

- Laws, ordinances and regulations affecting the work of the Department. Familiarity with the Charter of the City of Santa Clara and commitment to the City Code of Ethics and values;

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- Principles and practices of effective leadership and management techniques, e.g. team building practices, problem solving and conflict resolution, project and workload planning and safety procedures and standards; and
- Supervisory personnel practices and procedures.

Ability to:

- Analyze reports and statistics concerning accidents, crimes, and juvenile delinquency;
- Prepare comprehensive reports;
- Establish and maintain effective working relationships with City officials, state and local authorities, and the general public;
- Plan, train, and supervise the work of police and non-sworn personnel;
- Work as team player and be willing to deliver excellent customer service to both internal and external City clients;
- Strong interpersonal skills and communicate effectively both orally and in writing to consistently represent facts and situations accurately, transmit information concisely and in an effective manner, and present a balanced picture of situations; and
- Be an active member of the executive management team and work effectively to achieve common goals.

SUPERVISION RECEIVED

Works under the general direction of the Chief of Police and City Manager.

SUPERVISION EXERCISED

Directly supervises the work of Police Captains and other persons as required, and, in the absence of the Chief of Police, of the entire Police Department.

OTHER REQUIREMENTS

Must be able to perform all of the essential functions of the job assignment.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Incumbents in this position are required to file a Conflict of Interest statement upon assuming office, annually, and upon leaving office, in accordance with City Manager Directive 100.