

# APPRENTICESHIP EXPLORATION GUIDE

## POLICE OFFICER



### DID YOU KNOW?

- Vermont municipalities are hiring police officers.
- The median wage is \$29/hour or \$60,000/year.
- There are projected to be about 1,000 job openings for police officers by 2033.

### WHAT DO POLICE LEARN ABOUT?

- **Law & government:** dive into legal codes, court procedures, and democratic processes.
- **Psychology insights:** understand human behavior, personality, and motivation.
- **Safety & security:** learn strategies to protect people, data, and property.
- **Public service:** make a difference in people's lives and serve your community.

**01**

Sign up for Vermont JobLink ([www.vermontjoblink.com](http://www.vermontjoblink.com)) to learn about different training opportunities and available jobs.

**02**

Learn more about what police do on the Vermont Labor Market Information's Occupation Profile ([www.vtlmi.info/occupation.cfm](http://www.vtlmi.info/occupation.cfm)).

**03**

Explore apprenticeships & other resources with a Job Center Specialist. For more information, contact: [labor.apprenticeship@vermont.gov](mailto:labor.apprenticeship@vermont.gov).

**04**

Apply to an available apprenticeship in Vermont! Ask for help from Job Center Specialists with your application materials.

**05**

After you are hired as an apprentice, sign an apprenticeship agreement and start working.

**06**

Maximize the benefits of mentorship by actively using the skills your mentors teach you.

**07**

Complete all your required on-the-job training and your coursework and get ready for a rewarding career as a police officer!

# SCHOOL COUNSELORS, EDUCATORS, AND PARENTS: WHAT ARE SOME KEY BENEFITS OF AN APPRENTICESHIP?

## **Pride and Fulfillment**

Apprentices feel a sense of pride and accomplishment, knowing they have acquired valuable skills and are on the path to a successful career they love.

## **Industry-Recognized Credentials**

Apprenticeships often lead to nationally or internationally recognized qualifications. These credentials are valued by employers and can significantly enhance career prospects and employability.

## **Real-World Experience**

Apprenticeships provide hands-on training in actual work environments, giving the apprentice practical skills they can use immediately.

## **Job Security**

Apprentices are full-time employees, enjoying the benefits of long-term job security and stability within the ever-evolving job market.

## **Earn While Learning**

Unlike traditional education paths, apprenticeships allow apprentices to earn a paycheck while they learn, easing financial burdens and setting them up for financial independence.

## **Personalized Mentorship**

Apprentices will work closely with experienced professionals who serve as mentors, offering guidance, support, and valuable insights to help them succeed.



**WHAT HELPS YOU LEARN THE BEST IS WHEN YOU SHOW UP KNOWING THAT 'TODAY I WANT TO LEARN HOW TO DO THIS,' OR 'TODAY I'M GOING TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO DO THAT.'**

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