



Borough of

River Edge

Police Reserves

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Make a Difference, Volunteer Today!

The River Edge Police Reserves are in need of Volunteers to join their dedicated team

The River Edge Police Reserves is a volunteer organization. The primary function of the Reserve Officer is to assist the regular Police Department wherever and whenever needed. Officers provide assistance with augmenting police patrol in emergency situations, traffic and crowd control during parades and special events, as well as Hurricanes and weather related emergencies. The Reserve force also provides the department with extra manpower on a regular basis that can be deployed quickly for critical incidents and other situations that require more officers than would otherwise be available.

As our community has grown, the responsibilities of the Police Reserve Officers have increased. The Reserve Officers have been used for securing crime scenes, searching for missing or wanted persons, traffic control at accident scenes and patrolling neighborhoods providing for security of buildings and property. Being able to rely on this volunteer force for support has increased the effectiveness of our Police Department without increasing costs and has resulted in a safer community. The ability to give back to the community while providing a strong police foundation is a calling for all those who enjoy challenging learning experiences while on and off duty.

Applications to become an Officer in the River Edge Police Reserves are accepted year round and can be picked up in person at River Edge Police Department Headquarters. Applicants should understand they are volunteering to contribute to the overall safety and protection of the community. Individuals are expected to maintain professionalism on and off duty

As a condition for membership and continued membership in the organization, each member shall:

Be a citizen of the United States, resident of the Borough of River Edge and/ or live within five miles of the town borders. **(Provided no program exists in their own municipality)**

Be between the ages of 18 and 65 years of age;

Be of good moral character and physically qualified to perform the duties assigned.

Possess a current and valid New Jersey driver's license.

Pass a criminal background check.

Be able to speak and understand the English language, and effectively communicate environmental aspects under pressure

Successfully complete the next class held at the Bergen County Police and Fire Academy in Mahwah, New Jersey (classes held at night for 3 months) provided at no charge to the candidate

Any person who would like to join the River Edge Police Reserves should:

Pick up an Reserve Police Application from the River Edge Police Department

Police Reserve Captain will review and make initial contact with the applicant for an interview.

The River Edge Police Department will then conduct a criminal background check, Division of Motor Vehicles check and further background check as needed, to satisfy the requirements of becoming a Reserve Police member.

If the applicant has satisfactorily completed all the requirements of becoming a Reserve Police member, the River Edge Police Chief will then approve him/her for the position of an officer of the Police Reserve and they will be sworn in by the town Council.

We sincerely hope that you will consider volunteering as an officer of the Police reserves and giving back to your community.