# **REQUIREMENTS**

Applicants interested in a position with the Kansas Highway Patrol, Troop K as a Law Enforcement Officer I, Capitol Area Guard or a Communications Specialist must meet the following minimum qualifications:

- Must be a United States Citizen
- Must be 21 years of age to be a commissioned law enforcement officer, or 18 years of age to work as a capitol area guard or a communications specialist
- Must possess a high school deploma or G.E.D.
- Must be free of any conviction of any crime punishable by imprisonment in a federal or state penitentiary.
- Must be in good physical condition.
- Height and weight must be proportionate.
- Must be able to pass a vision and hearing standards test.



# **CAPITOL POLICE**

(785) 296-3420

915 SW Harrison, Room 145 Topeka, Kansas 66612

# **HOW** to APPLY

If you meet the listed requirements and feel that an exciting law enforcement career with the Kansas Highway Patrol in Troop K is for you, an application may be found online:

www.KansasHighwayPatrol.org





Employees with the Kansas Highway Patrol, Troop K stay active in the Capitol Complex community by providing classes that promote safety and security. Instructors are specially trained in the specifics of the courses to produce a professional and educational environment for learning. Some classes offered include CPR and First Aid, personal safety and defensive tactics, and what to do in the event of an active shooter.



## **Law Enforcement Officer**

Law Enforcement Officers are met with a wide variety of interesting and challenging duties while serving the citizens of Kansas. Law enforcement officers actively enforce criminal and traffic laws, expedite traffic flow around the Capitol and other state office buildings, investigate accidents, respond to and administer emergency medical assistance, and assist visiting citizens to the Capitol Complex. Law enforcement officers also provide interior police security at the Governor's residence, Kansas Judicial Center, Memorial Building, Kansas Insurance Building, and the State House. In addition to the vehicle patrol within the Capitol Complex, Troop K law enforcement officers formed a police bike patrol unit to assist during special events and do routine patrol.

Law Enforcement Officer I recruits receive a minimum of 14 weeks of law enforcement training at an approved training facility in Kansas. Upon completion and certification, Law Enforcement Officer I recruits will continue their training on the job with extensive focus in traffic and criminal laws, misdemeanor and felony arrest techniques, accident investigations, interpersonal relations, use of firearms, drug enforcement, pursuit and defensive driving techniques, emergency medical care and instruction on how to testify in court.

# **BENFITS**

## **Salary:**

Salaries are set by the Kansas Legislature and approved by the Governor of Kansas. Each classification's starting salary compares with fair market studies with local business and industry.

#### **Promotions:**

Promotional opportunities exist within Troop K. Requirements for eligibility differ between positions.

#### **Retirement:**

Communication Specialists and Capitol Area Guards are members of the Kansas Public Employees Retirement System. Law Enforcement Officer's are members of the Kansas Police & Fire Retirement System.

# **ADDITIONAL BENFITS**

- Furnished uniforms, equipment, and firearms for Law Enforcement Officers.
- Paid uniform cleaning.
- Group health insurance.
- Group dental insurance.
- Optional group life insurance.
- Paid vacation and sick leave.
- Workers compensation protection.



## **Communications Specialist**

Communication Specialists are the lifeline for law enforcement officers by assisting them with vehicle registrations and warrant checks, as well as, taking calls for assistance and emergency calls from state employees. Communications Specialists are trained in a diverse set of skills to handle a bridged radio system, officer radio traffic, and call taking. Communications Specialists also use specialized computer aided dispatch software to track calls and information coming into the dispatch center.

Communication Specialists receive up to 12 weeks of intra-agency training.



## **Capital Area Guard**

Capitol Area Guards ensure the safety of thousands of employees who work in downtown Topeka state office buildings. In addition, Capitol Area Guards provide security for state owned and leased buildings within the Capitol Complex by performing physical building checks. Guards diligently monitor information received via the electronic security system, video surveillance equipment, and fire system. Capitol Area Guards assist the public with questions and help to direct visitors to the proper locations. Guards are trained as first responders and respond accordingly to any medical emergency.

Capitol Area Guards receive up to 6 weeks of on the job training.