## HOW TO BECOME A VOLUNTEER

The MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS for appointment to the Volunteer & Neighborhood Services program are:

- \* Minimum age of 18 years old
- \* Good Health
- \* U.S. Citizenship
- \* Possession of a valid Michigan Driver's License
- \* Successful completion of the background investigation
- \* Willingness to serve others



## INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT BEING A VOLUNTEER?

#### You may contact the GRPD with questions or for assistance with completing an application.

Feel free to use any of the contact information below, to call or email. Another option is to walk into the GRPD during regular business hours, to personally meet with program supervisors.

#### Those who are interested may apply online, by completing the application found here:

www.grandrapidsmi.gov/Government/ Departments/Police-Department

You can also fill out the application in person at the GRPD.

#### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

Grand Rapids Police Department 1 Monroe Center NW Grand Rapids, MI 49503

#### General Recruiting / C.E.U.

(616) 456-3301

GRPDrecruiting@grcity.us

#### Officer Dan Myers

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#### **Officer Ruth Walters**

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# Grand Rapids Police Department

## Volunteer & Neighborhood Services Program



Are YOU ready to help others and contribute to our community?

## VOLUNTEER & NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES PROGRAM

The Grand Rapids Police Department is offering an excellent opportunity for local residents to invest their time in a very unique volunteer program.

Members of the Volunteer & Neighborhood Services program will help the GRPD by delivering critical services to our neighborhoods and relieving police officers of duties that are unrelated to crime.



YOUR knowledge and experience will count in a very meaningful way in our community!

## PROGRAM OUTLINE

The Grand Rapids Police Department works with the help of the Volunteer & Neighborhood Services members to serve the community.

Volunteers will respond to requests for neighborhood services or other support duties in the Department.

The Volunteer Program Coordinator will pair two volunteers to each one of the five patrol service areas in the city.

Volunteers are expected to commit a minimum of eight hours every month, between the hours of 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM on weekdays.



Volunteers will be issued uniforms, which can easily be identified by the public, and each shift, volunteers are assigned to vehicles that are identified by the "Neighborhood Services" logo.

## VOLUNTEER DUTIES

Under direct supervision of the GRPD and the Volunteer Program Coordinator, volunteers will provide the following services to our community:



- Observe and report suspected criminal activity
- \* Report City Ordinance violations
- \* Assist disabled or elderly residents with
  You Are Not Alone (YANA) Program
   Medical, nutritional, counseling referrals
- \* Enforce handicap zone parking violations
- \* Work with neighborhood associations
- \* Report hazardous conditions
- \* Assist with abandoned vehicles
- \* Conduct vacation house checks
- \* Graffiti Abatement
- Other duties designed to help our neighborhoods and the GRPD