

# City of Corning

# POLICE DEPARTMENT

774 Third Street Corning, California 96021 Jeremiah Fears Chief of Police

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# Applicants:

Following are copies of the City of Corning Police Officer job flyer, Employment Application, Applicant Characteristic Form, and the Corning Police Department Pre-Employment Behavioral Standards.

Please make sure you have read all the information provided and submit the necessary documentation with your application. Please submit the completed application and documentation in a sealed envelope addressed to the Chief of Police and marked "CONFIDENTIAL." Please note that the required POST Certificate must be currently valid.

Individuals who have previously applied with the Department, if not selected for further consideration after the oral interview, will not be eligible to apply for the same position within one year. Persons who have previously applied, if not selected after the background investigation phase, will not be eligible to apply for the same position for three years.

Sincerely,

Jéremiah Fears Chief of Police JJF/nmb



# The City of Corning invites applications for the position of POLICE OFFICER

# THE POSITION

Under general supervision to perform law enforcement and crime prevention work; to enforce State and local traffic regulations; to perform investigative work; to participate in, and provide support to, special Department crime prevention and enforcement programs; and to perform a variety of technical law enforcement tasks.

#### THE DEPARTMENT

The Corning Police Department is currently authorized a staffing level of a Chief of Police, one Administrative Services Manager, one Administrative Secretary, four Patrol Sergeants, one Task Force Officer, one School Resource Officer, eight Police Officers, five full-time Dispatcher/Clerks, and one full-time Community Service Officer.

### THE CITY

Corning is a rural community with a population of 7763. It is situated in the Sacramento Valley in Tehama County, 112 miles north of Sacramento on Interstate 5, and 25 miles northwest of Chico. The area offers ample opportunity for those interested in hiking, hunting, fishing, and all phases of recreation. Additional community facilities include excellent schools, a modern library and 21 churches. Advanced educational opportunities at Shasta and Butte Community Colleges and the California State University, Chico are all available and within an hour drive. The area offers an excellent environment for the growth and development of individuals and families.

# REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS

# **Applicants MUST:**

- → Possess current valid Certificate of Completion by California Police Officer Standards and Training
- → (POST) certified basic academy at time of appointment
- ightarrow Possess a high school diploma or G.E.D.
- → Possess a valid California driver's license and have a satisfactory driving record
- → Be a U.S. Citizen or a permanent resident alien who is eligible, and has applied, for citizenship
- → Be 21 years old at time of appointment
- → Possess physical characteristics, including proportional height/weight, normal hearing & visual acuity (correctable to 20/30)
- → Have appropriate communication skills, ability to solve problems, ability to learn, ability to make judgments under pressure, observational skills, a willingness to confront problems, interest in people, interpersonal sensitivity, a desire for self-improvement, appropriate grooming standards, dependability, integrity, physical ability, ability to operate a motor vehicle in emergency and non-emergency situations, and credibility as a witness in court
- → Meet other background investigation, medical and psychological standards

#### **SALARY AND BENEFITS**

**Salary:** \$5391 to \$6619

Incentive Pay: 2.5% Intermediate Certificate or Associate Degree

2.5% Advanced Certificate or Bachelor's Degree

5% Bilingual (Spanish)

5% Field Training Officer Assignment

5% Physical Fitness

\$150/mo K-9 Officer Assignment

**Longevity Pay:** For qualifying employees, longevity performance incentive pay is added to their base rate:

3% After 10 years

6% After 15 years (not compounded with the 3%)

Holiday Pay: Employees receive 116 hours of holiday in-lieu pay currently paid in one lump sum on the last

pay period in November.

Vacation Pay: Employees receive 120 hours paid vacation per year after 1 year; 160 hours per year after 7

years' service, and 200 hours per year after 15 years' service.

Sick Leave: Employees receive 8 hours of sick leave per month with a maximum accrual of 1440 hours

Retirement: Retirement is as defined by CalPERS. Further information available upon request.

Insurance: The City currently offers medical, dental and vision insurance plans and contributes a

maximum of \$1800 monthly toward the employee's plan. A \$100,000 term life insurance policy

is provided for the employee by the City.

Uniform Allowance: The City provides \$900 per year, paid in one lump sum on the employee anniversary date.

### **COMPETITIVE SELECTION PROCESS**

**APPLICATION REVIEW BOARD:** All applicants must submit a City of Corning application with clear, concise, and complete information regarding their qualifications for the position. Those candidates whose qualifications best meet the City's requirements will be invited to participate further.

WRITTEN EXAMINATION:\* This examination is to evaluate reading, writing and comprehension skills.

PHYSICAL AGILITY TEST:\* To evaluate the applicant's ability to physically perform the duties of the position.

**ORAL APPRAISAL INTERVIEW:** This interview is to evaluate training, experience and personal qualifications.

**BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION:** Candidates successfully completing all prior phases of the selection process will be subject to a thorough background investigation. The investigation is used to determine a candidate's moral character and suitability for employment with law enforcement. The investigation may include (but not be limited to) a computerized voice stress analysis, criminal and military record check, driving and credit history, previous employer(s) and references.

**PSYCHOLOGICAL EVALUATION**: Candidates will be evaluated for their suitability for employment as a Corning Police Officer.

**MEDICAL EXAMINATION:** Prior to appointment candidates must successfully complete a medical examination, including a drug screen, to determine if they meet the City's medical standards for this position.

\*These examinations are waived for police academy basic students hired directly upon successful completion of their academy.

## TO APPLY

Applications may be obtained from our website at www.corningpd.org. You must attach a copy of your POST Academy Certificate, or letter of Academy enrollment with anticipated date of graduation, to your application. Please submit the completed application in a sealed envelope addressed to:

Chief of Police - "CONFIDENTIAL" 774 Third Street Corning, CA 96021

Please note that the required POST Certificate must be currently valid. When a sufficient number of applicants have been preliminarily qualified, they will be invited to participate in the selection process. Resumés may be attached, but are not accepted in lieu of the City application. Faxed applications are not accepted. If you have any questions, call 530-824-7015.

### THE CITY OF CORNING IS AN AFFIRMATIVE ACTION EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROVIDER AND EMPLOYER

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), if special accommodations are necessary at any stage in the testing process, call 530-824-7015 with advance notice and your request will be considered.

# PRE-EMPLOYMENT BEHAVIORAL STANDARDS

The Corning Police Department has established pre-employment behavioral standards. The standards are designed to ensure that the Corning Police Department employs people who have demonstrated sound judgment, maturity, honesty and respect for and adherence to the laws of the State of California and the United States of America while taking into account youthful indiscretion and experimentation.

Positions of public trust require people who have demonstrated honesty, sound judgment, personal discipline and responsibility.

The following standards are applicable to applicants for the Corning Police Department:

# A. HONESTY

Criminal justice employees have access to sensitive information. They are subject to be witnesses in court. Honesty and integrity are the cornerstone of trust and credibility. Hence, an applicant who is dishonest in any portion of the pre-employment process shall be disqualified from further consideration for employment. Dishonesty includes misstating or misrepresenting identifying information, or qualifications whether orally or in writing; misleading any person involved in the pre-employment screening by either misstating, misrepresenting or failing to completely answer any questions; not accurately or completely completing applications, background questionnaires, personal history statements, medical screening documents, or any other document used in the pre-employment process to determine the applicant's suitability for the position; or any other act of minimization, deceit or deception. The pre-employment process includes the employment application, oral interview, background investigation (including interviews conducted as part of the investigation), Chief's interview, polygraph or voice stress analysis, psychological evaluation, and medical screening.

# **B. INTERPERSONAL CONDUCT**

Criminal justice employees and Peace Officers are required to interact daily with their fellow employees. They must have a history of stable interpersonal conduct, sensitivity in their dealings with others, and respect for other's rights. There are certain criminal acts which will make an applicant unsuitable for employment as a criminal justice employee or a Peace Officer. These acts include, among others, murder, rape, robbery, any violent assault upon another, including spousal battery, mayhem, sexual battery, or other acts of violence. This shall include any crime involving or directed against a child or any criminal sexual act which could be classified as a felony.

# C. CONDUCT AGAINST SOCIETY

Criminal justice employees and Peace Officers must have demonstrated sound judgement and maturity in their lives. As public employees, there are certain acts which are incompatible with public service because the act itself is felonious conduct which will disqualify the applicant.

Applicants who have manufactured, transported, cultivated, brokered, or sold any controlled substance shall not be eligible for employment. Applicants who have committed arson; burglarized an occupied building; stole any significant amount of money, goods, or services from their employers; stole any significant item, goods, or

amount of money, while in a position of trust, or any other act which demonstrates lack of respect for other's property shall not be eligible for employment.

# D. HISTORY OF STABILITY

Criminal justice employees and Peace Officers must have a history of stability as demonstrated by their prior employment history. An applicant who has resigned from employment in lieu of termination except where a hostile work environment has been alleged, has been terminated for cause from employment, has been terminated while on probation (except for reduction in work force within the last three years), or those who have held more than three permanent job positions (not including promotions) within five years (with the exception of students and construction workers), shall be disqualified from employment.

# **E. ABILITY TO LEARN**

Constantly evolving technology and changes in law and procedures require employees who are able to assimilate new concepts. The ability to learn can be demonstrated by an applicant's employment history or academic history. Peace Officer applicants who have been dismissed from a basic course of instruction at a Police Officer Standards and Training (POST) Certified Academy or its' equivalent in another state within the past three years shall not be eligible for employment. Peace Officer applicants who have not successfully completed a Field Training Officer (FTO). program as demonstrated by either termination or resignation while in the program, within the past three years shall not be eligible for employment.

# F. ABILITY TO OPERATE A MOTOR VEHICLE

Peace Officers are expected to be able to operate a motor vehicle in a safe and efficient manner. Peace Officers must be able to operate emergency vehicles in many differing situations, including emergency responses. Applicants shall be expected to have demonstrated the ability to safely operate a motor vehicle as evidenced by their driving history. Applicants shall not have had more than two chargeable accidents where they have been found most at fault by the investigating agency in the past four years. Applicants may not have more than three infraction moving violations within the past five years. Applicants shall not have any record of alcohol-related incidents, such as drunk driving, or such a charge reduced to reckless driving, within the past three years. Any applicant who has more than one such offense shall not be eligible for employment.

# G. JUDGEMENT AND CREDIBILITY AS A WITNESS

Peace Officers are expected to have demonstrated a pattern of sound judgment. Peace Officers must be able to be a credible witness in a court of law. Both of these areas are specific job dimensions outlined by POST. Applicants who have a history of committing repeated misdemeanors or felony offenses are not credible witnesses. Possession of controlled substances are violations of State and Federal Laws. A history of violating the law does not show sound judgement and is not compatible with law enforcement.

# H. PRE-EMPLOYMENT DRUG POSSESSION

The Corning Police Department has adopted the following standards for preemployment drug possession. Possession shall be defined as each time the drug was in the applicant's personal possession, either within the body or in the hands, clothing, vehicle, home residence, or any other area where the applicant has control.

Substance	Possession/Usage within the past	Maximum Lifetime Usage
Marijuana or any derivative	3 years	25
Amphetamines	5 years	5
Nonprescribed Anabolic Steroids	5 years	5
Barbiturates	5 years	5
Cocaine	5 years	5
Illegal Use of Prescription Drugs	5 years	5
Methamphetamines	5 years	5
Crack	Never	0
Heroin/Non-prescribed Opiates	Never	0
Intravenous Illegal Use	Never	0
LSD/Mushrooms/Hallucinogens	Never	0
PCP	Never	0
Any Other Illegal Drugs	Never	0

# I. PHYSICAL ABILITY

Peace Officers must be able to perform their duties. They must be able to run, climb fences, operate a motor vehicle, arrest and physically control large, physically combative suspects, lift objects, operate equipment, including computers, weapons and handcuffs, hear voice, radio, and telephone communications, see and read license plates, see colors, movements, and activities in reduced, limited, or extremely low light conditions. Peace Officer applicants must meet the physical requirements established by POST.



# City of Corning EMPLOYMENT APPLICATION

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Date\_\_\_\_



# In order for your application to be considered, the following section MUST be completed. A resume may be attached but will not be acceptable in lieu of this section. List below all present and past employment FOR THE LAST 10 YEARS beginning with your most recent job.

COMPANY	POSITION HELD		
ADDRESS	YOUR SUPERVISOR		
BUSINESS	YOUR DEPARTMENT	PHONE #	
REASON FOR LEAVING	YOUR DUTIES		
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REASON FOR LEAVING	YOUR DUTIES		
May we contact the employers listed?  Yes No If not, which one(s) may we contact?			
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Have you every been discharged or forced to resign?  Yes No If yes, describe:			
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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT MY ANSWERS TO THE QUESTIONS IN THIS APPLICATION ARE COMPLETE, ACCURATE AND TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE. I AGREE AND UNDERSTAND THAT ANY OMISSION OR MISSTATEMENTS OF MATERIAL FACTS CONTAINED IN THE APPLICATION MAY CAUSE ME TO FORFEIT ALL RIGHTS OF EMPLOYMENT. I UNDERSTAND THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED BY ME WILL BE VERIFIED AND THAT FAILURE TO COMPLETELY ANSWER ANY QUESTION MAY RESULT IN MY NOT BEING CONSIDERED FOR EMPLOYMENT. THE CITY OF CORNING IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROVIDER AND EMPLOYER.

Signature of Applicant	Date	