## **DISPATCHER**

# Location: Delaware River and Bay Authority Police Cape May-Lewes Ferry, Cape May, NJ

Rate: \$29.08 (\$60,494 annualized)

Opening Date: September 16, 2024 Closing Date: October 16, 2024

## I. POSITION SUMMARY

The general responsibilities of the Dispatcher involve sending, receiving, recording, and disseminating information using a variety of police communications equipment (i.e., police radio, intercom, telephone, and computer). Dispatchers promote a professional and courteous environment at Authority facilities when they interact with the public and co-workers.

#### II. ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Receives and sends calls on the police radio and monitors all active radio frequencies
- Answers emergency and non-emergency telephone calls, contacts police and management personnel, monitors security cameras, reports unusual occurrences and monitors building alarm systems
- Follows Delaware Justice Information system (DELJIS) (DMB) or Criminal Justice Information System (CJIS) (CMLF) rules (e.g., criminal history, driver's history)
- Assesses the nature of all reports and determines proper method of response
- Expeditiously processes calls for assistance from outside police agencies and dispatch patrol units
- Monitors DELJIS (DMB) or CJIS (CMLF) teletype information relevant to the department's operation and disseminates to supervision & patrol units
- Provides for officer safety by monitoring the time spent on an assignment and assessing potential risks
- Responsive to the public and coordinates public assists (e.g. tow service) by contacting outside agencies and relaying pertinent information
- Assists patrons with special needs, assists victims and witnesses, providing referrals to victim/witness assistance organizations and providing travelers' information to patrons
- Disseminates general broadcasts via radio message and transfer telephone calls to other departments
- Enters data into Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) and authorized computer systems and accesses information from DELJIS (DMB) or CJIS (CMLF) and NCIC
- Records activities within the detention area, updates towing records, maintains and updates logs, and prepares shift activity reports
- Monitors all radios, recalls information and responds appropriately, responds to visual cues, monitors detention/processing areas and remains alert
- Proficient in business and police communication
- Completes DELJIS (DMB) or CJIS (CMLF) and National Criminal Information Cener (NCIC) log forms and maintains other police equipment and supplies
- May assist with loading and unloading ferry vessels by coordinating radio communications between patrol and security officers and non-police employees (CMLF)
- May make announcements and page patrons using public address system (CMLF)
- May maintain first aid supplies and maintain access control over the gas key and log (CMLF)
- May provide information to patrons using the Delaware Memorial Bridge (DMB) and Cape May-Lewes Ferry (CMLF)
- May report any, and all, occurrences related to violations of the CMLF/DMB Threat Policies

- May operate traffic management system and variable message signs; coordinates the opening and closing of traffic lanes (DMB)
- Monitors closed-circuit television surveillance cameras at the DMB/CMLF for suspicious activity
- Provides the highest level of customer service and professionalism to all internal and external customers

# II. REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES

- Must possess a variety of basic clerical and administrative skills in order to perform their job duties
- Ability to enter accurate and clear information into logs; compose directed messages write concise, clear and legible memos to co-workers
- Ability to read and understand information displayed on computer screens, information received from DELJIS (DMB) OR CJIS (CMLF) and NCIC, training material and instructional manuals
- Ability to verbally communicate in a clear, professional and courteous manner with police personnel and the public providing information when called upon from available resources
- Ability to react well under stress and remains professional when dealing with conflict
- Ability to provide training to new dispatchers, when called upon
- Ability to provide superior customer service

## IV. REQUIRED EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE

- High School diploma or equivalent
- Eighteen (18) years of age or older
- Experience as a Dispatcher

# V. LICENSES, REGISTRATIONS, AND/OR CERTIFICATES

• DELJIS (DMB) or CJIS (CMLF) certified within 90 days

# VI. ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- Subject to a background check
- Subject to a pre-employment physical examination and drug test
- Delaware River and Bay Authority requires all employees to have direct deposit with a financial institution or enroll in the payroll card program to receive their bi-weekly
- This position works rotating shifts and must adapt to irregular working conditions
- This position is eligible for shift differential pay

If you are interested in applying for this position please complete the on-line application at <a href="https://www.drba.net">www.drba.net</a>. In addition, you also have the option of attaching a resume to the completed application.

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