Memorandum



DATE October 29, 2024

Honorable Members of the Public Safety Committee

To Cara Mendelsohn (Chair), Kathy Stewart (Vice Chair), Tennell Atkins, Jesse Moreno Gay Donnell Willis

SUBJECT Dallas Police Department Recruiting Update for September 2024

During September 2024, the Dallas Police Department's Personnel Division hosted two on-site testing events at Jack Evans Headquarters. These events consisted of applicant processing, physical fitness tests, oral interview boards, and polygraph exams. Thirty-four (34) applicants participated on September 12. They were from AK, CA, GA, MD, MO, NY, OK, and TX. Forty-six (46) applicants participated on September 26. They were from CA, IL, NJ, NY, OH, TX, and WA. In September, 129 applicants were referred by Civil Service, all of whom were contacted by the Recruiting Unit via phone, email, and/or text.

The data below reflects the number of Dallas Police Department applicants processed during September 2024:

SWORN

- REFERRED BY CIVIL SERVICE 129
- BACKGROUND PHASE 83
- ACADEMY CLASS #402 September 25 (62 Recruits)
- NEXT ACADEMY CLASS #403 November 20 (projecting 40+)

PROFESSIONAL STAFF

- PROCESSED BY DPD: 31
 - COMMUNICATIONS 16
 - o OTHER 15
- BACKGROUND: 27
 - COMMUNICATIONS: 13
 - OTHER 14

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- ONBOARDED: 11
 - COMMUNICATIONS 4
 - OTHER 7

Each month, the Recruiting Team staffs information tables at events across the state, passing out recruiting literature to potential applicants. Recruiters conducted two (2) class presentations at Texas universities, including UT Dallas and UNT Denton. They attended eight (8) in-state college career fairs, nine (9) out-of-state college/university career fairs, and seven (7) additional recruiting events in September.

The Dallas Police Department currently has recruiting ads in the Dallas Maverick's yearbook, Dallas Cowboys Yearbook, Texas Rangers yearbook, All-Star Yearbook, and Meta (Facebook/Instagram) for sworn and professional staff. Dual DPD/DFR recruiting banners have been placed on all DPD substations and have been placed on DFR stations strategically throughout the city.

Below is a list of Dallas Police Department Recruiting events attended during September 2024.

September 3	L.A. Fitness Table
September 4	UT Dallas Classroom Presentation
September 4-7	Charlotte, NC Recruiting Trip
September 5	UNT Denton Classroom Presentation
September 7	Heart of Dallas Body Building Competition Recruiting Table
September 8	Dallas Women's Expo
September 10	Hudson County Community College Career Fair (NJ)
September 10	UT Dallas Career Fair
September 11	San Antonio College LEA Recruiting Table
September 11	St. Mary's Career Fair
September 11-12	UNT Denton Career Fair
September 11-13	New York Recruiting Trip (John Jay College, Borough of Manhattan
0 1 1 10	Community College, Kingsborough Community College
September 16	Love Field Airport Recruiting Table
September 17	COD Fall College Fair / SMU Career Fair
September 18	UTA Fall Career Fair / TCU Career Fair
September 18	St. Louis University Career Expo
September 19	Tennessee State University Career Fair
September 20	DCCCD Cedar Valley Industry Seasonal Hiring Fair
September 23-25	Arizona State University Career Fair
September 24	University of Piedmont (GA) Career Fair
September 25-26	San Antonio College Protective Emergent Services Hiring Fair
September 26	Estrella Mountain Community College Career Fair (AZ)

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September 26 Albany State University Career Fair (GA)

September 27 Love Field Reliant Law Enforcement Hiring Expo

September 28 Korean Health and Safety Fair

September 30 UT Rio Grande Valley Recruiting Expo

The Dallas PD Recruiting Unit has its next off-site hiring event scheduled for November 14 – 16 in San Diego, CA.

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Chief of Public Safety (I)

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Kimberly Bizor Tolbert, City Manager (I)
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Bilierae Johnson, City Secretary
Preston Robinson, Administrative Judge
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M. Elizabeth (Liz) Cedillo-Pereira, Assistant City Manager

Alina Ciocan, Assistant City Manager
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Robin Bentley, Assistant City Manager (I)
Jack Ireland, Chief Financial Officer
Elizabeth Saab, Chief of Strategy, Engagement, and Alignment (I)
Directors and Assistant Directors



DPD Recruiting & Retention September 2024

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Sworn Hiring: FY24



Class #	Start Date	Class Size
397	8-Nov-23	*21
398	31-Jan-24	35
399	13-Mar-24	26
400	22-May-24	50
401	17-Jul-24	45
402	25-Sep-24	62
		**239

*The 11/20/24 class, #403, is projected to have 40 recruits

**There were 14 re-instated officers for FY24, bringing the total # of hires to 253.



Professional Staff Hiring: FY24



New Hires	
Communications	48
Other Positions	60
Total	108



Attrition: FY24



	Reasons for Separation	
71	Retirements	
35	Personal Reasons	
26	Other Public Safety Position	
6	Transfer to NonSworn	
22	Career Change	
5	US Government Position	
9	Discharge	
6	IAD Investigation	
1	Death (Line of Duty)	
6	ICT (Intra City Transfer) Loss	
3	Academy Failure	
2	Death	
192	Total	



Recruiting Strategies



October 3rd State Fair of TX Hiring Event









Retention Strategies



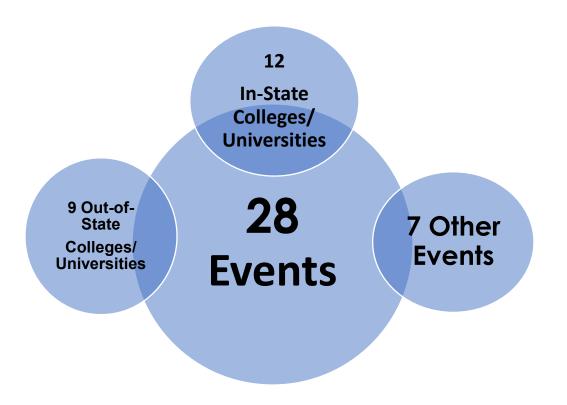
Sick Leave Exchange Program	
Opt-In Period for 1/1/25 payout	Oct 1 - Oct 31
Officers who have signed up	493

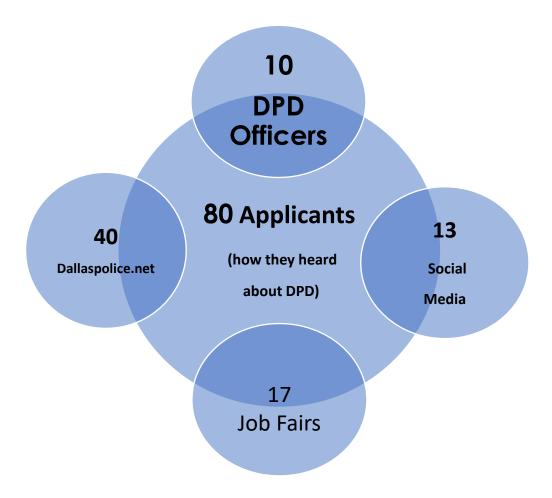
Employee Referral Program	
Oct 3 rd State Fair Hiring Event	2
Oct 10 th On-Site Hiring Event	5



DPD Recruiting Efforts September 2024











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