DAVIS POLICE DEPARTMENT
Collateral Assignments
Evidence Response Team (ERT)

Duties of ERT

Respond and assist with reconstructing crime scenes and documenting and collecting of evidence, including securing the scene and evidence from contamination, collecting, identifying, and preserving evidence; search for and lift fingerprints; collect body fluids and clothing; make plaster impressions; attend autopsies.

At the direction of the Evidence Team Supervisor, or their designee, members will respond and assist with crime scene processing for all homicides and suspicious deaths, complicated or multiple crime scenes, or other scenes that require a specialty response.

ERT members will also assist with evidence collection during their normal duty assignments when requested to do so.

Members of the ERT serve at the pleasure of the Police Chief.

Minimum Requirements

1. Police Officer or Police Services Specialist who is off probation at time of appointment. This requirement may be waived for candidates with prior law enforcement experience.
2. Must have the ability to write clear and concise reports.
3. Must have the ability to be thorough, detailed and precise when collecting evidence.
4. Willingness to respond to work on days off and respond to call outs at all hours.

Application Process

Upon announcement of a vacancy, qualified officers can submit a letter of interest to Professional Standards, which includes; time in law enforcement, previous specialty assignments, and any special skills possessed which would be of benefit. Candidates may be interviewed for this position. The Investigations Lieutenant and the Patrol Commander will make a recommendation to the Police Chief, or their designee, who will make any final appointment.

Position Training

Professional Organizations
1. CSDIAI - California State Division of the International Association for Identification
Required prior to assignment
   1. In-house training on fundamentals of crime scene processing.

Required within one year of assignment
   1. POST Crime Scene Investigation 2310-31650-09 - 60 hrs

Recommended during assignment
   1. Crime Scene Photography 2970-31684-17-001 – 24 hrs
   2. Bloodstain Pattern Analysis -31620- 40 hrs
   3. Fingerprint Identification and Classification 2970-21200-17-001 – 40 hrs