



# Davis Police Department



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## TAGS PROGRAM APPLICATION

### OBJECTIVE:

Supporting the Davis Public Safety departments in the discharge of their public service missions, by establishing a Trauma and Grief Support program, whose team members may be called upon by Davis Public Safety personnel to assist with citizens on scene who are experiencing grief and trauma concomitant to a critical incident. Because of the major risks and constant stresses faced by public safety personnel in the line of duty, Trauma and Grief Support team members will be available at all times to department public safety personnel addressing any impact to wellness from the rendering of emergency responder services.

### GENERAL MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS:

- Provide two letters of recommendation from family members, friends, supervisors, etc.
- Commit to respond to calls when contacted by dispatch or emergency services department personnel.
- Be interested in public safety services and committed to learning the skills necessary to effectively relate to emergency services personnel.
- Within eight weeks of acceptance, Volunteers must possess a Davis Police Department Volunteer Uniform. Uniforms will be provided by the Davis Police Department.
- Within a month of acceptance into the program, Volunteer must complete the orientation meeting.
- Volunteers must attend and complete TAGS training as scheduled.
- If, at any time, Volunteer is not able to meet the requirements of the program, they shall contact the Volunteer Coordinator regarding other opportunities in the Volunteer Program or separation from the Volunteer program.
- Successfully pass a background investigation, including, but not limited to: Criminal history check, DMV history check, and contact with listed references.

All the above requirements are taken into consideration when considering an applicant. None of the above are intended to be an automatic disqualifier. If special circumstances exist that should be considered during the application period, contact the Volunteer Coordinator.



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### DUTIES OF THE TAGS:

The below listed duties constitute only a brief summary of what may actually be required in any situation that may be encountered.

- **Emergency Situations:** TAGS will respond when contacted by dispatch or emergency services department personnel and will report at the scene to the officer in charge. This may include situations such as:

- A working fire.
- A critical incident.
- A critical injury or death to a firefighter or police officer.
- An incident involving a victim that is related/known to department personnel.
- Whenever the incident commander determines that the services of the TAGS may be of value in the ongoing emergency operation.

- **Routine Duties:**

- Accompanied by an officer, make death notifications.
- Visit all stations and shifts.
- Visit hospitalized department members and members of their families.
- Be available for helping members of the department in times of stress or difficulty.
- Assist when requested by any division of the departments in their programs.
- Attend Fire and Police department functions.
- Attend funeral/memorial services.
- Be a member of the critical incident stress debriefing team.
- During scheduled rotation (approximately one week each month), be on-call on a twenty-four hour a day basis.

### APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:

- All lines must be completed. If an item does not apply, indicate “not applicable” (N/A)
- Give complete information, including first, middle, and last names
- Sign the forms in the appropriate places
- Intentional withholding of information or falsification of information on this application will result in immediate denial of acceptance. If the applicant is accepted and falsification is discovered, the Volunteer will be dismissed without recourse and may be disqualified from any future participation.
- Applications can be submitted via email to [policeweb@cityofdavis.org](mailto:policeweb@cityofdavis.org), brought to the Police Department front counter, or mailed to: Davis Police Department ATTN: Jean Lyon, 2600 Fifth Street, Davis CA 95618-7718
- Once your application is received, you will be contacted for an interview date.