



SWORN MEMBER VACANCY

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Date: April 28, 2026

JOB VACANCY MEMORANDUM NO. 26-18

TITLE: UAV Operator

ELEMENT OF ASSIGNMENT: UAV Team

VACANCY STATUS: Vacant

EXPIRATION DATE: May 12, 2026

REQUIREMENTS:

Sworn law enforcement officer with the rank of Police Officer or Sergeant with a minimum of one (1) year of consecutive service at the time of assignment.

In addition, officers must meet the following requirements:

- Be willing to accept rotating on call responsibilities, able to work varied hours and respond at any hour.
- Have the ability to function effectively with a small team.
- Have the ability to function without close supervision.
- Have the ability to troubleshoot technical equipment when needed.
- Have an aptitude for flying unmanned aerial vehicles as demonstrated by a passing score (19) on the flight assessment course.
- Have the ability to operate a department vehicle in a safe and prudent manner, especially while responding code one.
- Demonstrate a willingness to learn FAA guideline, the department COA requirements, and technical operations of the UAV equipment.
- An FAA Part 107 UAV Operators License is recommended, but not required.

Members interested in this assignment will need to ensure that present or future job positions will not be effected or determined by serving as a UAV Operator.

In preparation for the flight skills assessment course exercise, candidates are encouraged to practice with a DJI drone of their own and/or can contact Sgt. Jon Cranston for an introduction to the operation of the test drone.

All law enforcement members interested in being considered for this position must submit a Request for Transfer, Form 4P.D. through their chain of command. In addition, one copy must be submitted to the Human Resource Division. One copy of the Request for Transfer, Form 4 P.D., a completed Selection Process Candidate Review Form, Form 417 P.D. (with chain of command endorsements) must be submitted to **Sgt. Jon Cranston**, South Patrol Division. All request must be received no later than **May 12, 2026**.

Captain Justin Pinkerton

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