

POLICE DETECTIVE

NATURE OF WORK

Police Detectives within the Criminal Investigations Unit conduct investigations of major crimes including: homicide, serious assault, robbery, burglary, narcotics, sexual assault, family violence and other related crimes.

Work involves plainclothes duty in the investigation, prevention, and detection of crime. Work is performed under the supervision of a superior in accordance with established rules and procedures, but requires the exercise of judgment in the application to specific cases.

ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES OF WORK

Detectives assigned to the Criminal Investigations Unit respond to crime scenes; search for, preserve and collect evidence; investigate and follow-up investigations, search for and apprehend violators; interview witnesses, complaints and suspects.

Detectives prepare written reports of investigations; appear in court to present evidence and to testify.

Secures evidence seeks and develops sources of information, and ascertains information necessary for the arrest of persons alleged to have committed a crime.

Detectives may be assigned and trained for specialized duties in a specialized unit within the Criminal Investigations Unit at the discretion of the CIU commanding officer.

REQUIREMENTS OF WORK

Certification by CT P.O.S.T. and four years experience as a New Haven Police Officer.

Demonstrated knowledge of the Connecticut General Statutes pertaining to law enforcement.

Demonstrated knowledge in the preparation of arrest and search and seizure warrants.

Implements Crime Scene Control Procedures.

Demonstrated knowledge of laws of arrest, search and seizure and evidence.

Demonstrated knowledge of laws relating to confessions-voluntariness-miranda and related matters.

Ability to interview and obtain formal taped statements from victims, witnesses, and suspects involved in investigations.

Ability to be certified within six (6) months from appointment date in the Collect System, the AS-400 and have a working knowledge of the CIU computer systems.

Ability to cooperate with State Attorney's Office and other law enforcement agencies such as FBI, DEA, local and state police departments.

Ability to communicate effectively, orally and in writing.