

POLICE OFFICER LATERAL ENTRY LIST

VILLAGE OF CHATHAM, ILLINOIS

The Village of Chatham is seeking qualified applicants to establish a LATERAL ENTRY list to become a Chatham Police Officer. The Chatham Police Department currently offers benefits which include medical, dental and life insurance for employees and their dependents, vacation, personal and sick days. Requirements include U.S. Citizenship, high school diploma or educational equivalent, be of good character and capable of performing the duties of a police officer. An applicant for lateral entry must have been awarded a certificate attesting to the applicant's successful completion of the Minimum Standards Basic Law Enforcement Training Course as provided in the Illinois Police Training Act. An applicant must have been a full-time police officer for a minimum of 24 months in another law enforcement agency to apply. The eligibility list will be established by an oral interview. Applicants accepting employment must reside within 60 minutes travel time to the department within one year. Applicants must obtain a pre-employment card from the Chatham Police Department, 117 E. Mulberry, Chatham, Illinois. The applicant shall furnish, with the pre-employment card, a copy of Military Service Records, Discharge Papers, Social Security Card, Birth Certificate, High School Diploma or GED Certificate, a copy of College or University Degree, and a copy of the applicants Illinois Training and Standards Board Certification. Completed pre-employment packets must be returned to the Chatham Police Department by 5 p.m., March 12th, 2026. Physical agility test and oral interviews will begin promptly at 8:00 am on March 22nd, 2026, at the Illinois State Police Academy. The Illinois State Police Academy is located at 3700 East Lake Shore Dr, Springfield, IL 62712.

A copy of the current labor contract (Local 821) may be viewed at

<https://www.chathamil.gov/files/manual/2302/Res%2015.25.pdf>

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