



CLICKITAT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Volunteer Sheriff's Posse Program

Application Process

Thank you for your interest in volunteering with the Klickitat County Sheriff's Office (KCSO) Posse Program. The KCSO is fortunate to have the support of community members such as yourself, to enhance the safety and prevention of crime throughout Klickitat County.

Mission Statement

The Sheriff Posse is made up of Citizen Volunteers working in a partnership with the Klickitat County Sheriff's Office to reduce crime throughout Klickitat County by establishing and maintaining a safe living environment for the citizens which includes the right of all persons within Klickitat County to be free from criminal attack, to be secure in their possessions and to live, travel, and exist in peace.

What does it mean to be a KCSO Posse deputy?

Posse deputies participate in monthly training meetings to prepare them for the volunteer opportunities within Klickitat County. These opportunities include but are not limited to:

- Crime Prevention through Security Patrols
- Property Monitoring during Vacations
- Traffic Control
- Event Security for Fairs and Beer Gardens
- Assisting KCSO during Emergencies
- K-9 Program Support
- Opportunities after Advanced Training include:
 - Airwing (plane required)
 - Search and Rescue
 - Courtroom Security

How will I know what to do?

If this is your first time volunteering for law enforcement we will guide you. You will be assigned a Captain, a Lieutenant, and a Sergeant to guide you along the way. There are three (3) divisions within the KCSO Posse.

- **West End** meeting at Pioneer Center, 501 NE Washington St. White Salmon WA on the 1st Tuesday of every month.
- **Central** meeting at Klickitat PUD, 1313 S. Columbus Ave, Goldendale, WA on the 3rd Thursday of every month.
- **East End** meeting at Bickleton Fire Department at 15 Goldendale Bickleton Rd, Bickleton, WA on the 4th Thursday of every month.

What do I need to turn in to KCSO?

1. Volunteer Sheriff's Posse Program Application
2. Two (2) letters of reference
3. Fingerprint and Background check
4. Copy of Driver's License

What happens next?

Once you submit your application, the sheriff will review the information including your background check. The Sheriff may invite you to his office to learn more about your interests in the program. This is a great time to share with him your specific skills.

The Sheriff will either Approve or Deny your application, either way you will be notified.

If Approved, you will be invited to a Posse Meeting to be sworn in as a Posse Deputy.

You will then be issued a KCSO posse shirt, a badge and a KCSO Posse hat. Your photo will be taken for your Posse Identification Card.

You will also receive timesheets to record you're your hours, used to calculate the LNI insurance payment each quarter.

Articles of historical interest

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