Public Safety Recruiting Strategies

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Properly Define the Challenge

- Officers and Applicants Perceive a Lack of Support
 - Administration
 - DA
 - Public
 - Athletes
 - Celebrities
 - Politicians
- Policies designed for liability mitigation vs. Public Welfare
- Divisive content in social square
- Suicide Rates on the rise







Current Trends

- Hiring Bonus
- Lateral Bonus
- Referral Bonus
- Veterans Bonus
- Alternate Work Schedule
- Relaxed Hiring Requirements



The Reduction in Qualifications Paradox





Job Description:

- Work most (if not all) holidays
- Demanding Boss
- Elevated risk of being killed
- Potential for being away from family for long periods
- Frequently Work through lunch
- Seldom get off work on time
- Uniforms provided in some cases

Pay Starting at 23k/year

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Does this Sound

like the job for

you?

30,000 Marines enlisted in 2022



Your Marine Corps

The Marine Corps hit all its recruitment goals for 2022

Oct 10, 2022

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By Jonathan Lemic



Marine Corps recruits with Mike Company, 2nd Recruit Training Battalion, execute the plank portion of the physical fitness test at Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego, Oct. 3, 2022. (Lance Cpl. Jacob Hutchinson/Marine Corps)

E-9	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
E-8	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
E-7	3445.80	3760.80	3905.10	4095.30	4244.70
E-6	2980.50	3279.90	3424.80	3565.50	3711.90
E-5	2730.30	2914.20	3055.20	3199.20	3423.90
E-4	2503.50	2631.60	2774.10	2914.80	3039.30
E-3	2259.90	2402.10	2547.60	2547.60	2547.60
E-2	2149.20	2149.20	2149.20	2149.20	2149.20
E-1 >4 Mon	1917.60	1917.60	1917.60	1917.60	1917.60
E-1 <4 Mon	1773.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	C/S	17675.10	M/S	9786.00	
	Cadet	1273.20			



How is your CULTURE?

- YOUR best recruiters are YOUR employees!
 - Do their uniforms fit properly?
 - Are they clean?
 - Attitude?
 - Do they lead by example?
- Does your Command Staff lead by example?

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- Do you have a culture of red tape?
- FTO program

Influence the Team!

- Remove Red Tape!
- Lead by Example
- Prioritize Safety over Liability Mitigation Policies
- Shared Leadership



EARLY

MAJORITY

34%

EARLY

13.5%

LATE

34%

LAGGARDS

16%

10

Influence the Tax Payers!

- Lions Club
- Rotary Club
- Chamber of Commerce
- Citizens Police Academy
- Church Groups
- Charitable Boards
- Agency Accreditation
- News Media

Are you telling your Story?

- Social Media
- Website
- Podcast
- Open House
- Community Events
- National Night Out

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• Sporting Events

Tyrone Crawford on his police ride-along, how Cowboys players are going beyond anthem protests to raise social awareness



ame against the Arizona Cardinals at AT&T Stadium on Sunday, Aug. 26, 2018, in Arlington, Texas. (Smiley N. Pool/The Dallas Morning

FRISCO -- The Cowboys have now joined several other NFL teams in voluntary efforts behind the scenes

Cowboys defensive lineman Tyrone Crawford and cornerback Byron Jones took part in a ride-along with

(Smiley N. Pool / Staff Photograp)

st social inequality, racism and police brutality

the Grand Prairie Police Department on Tuesday.

to go beyond taking a



Facebook, Instagram, TikTok, Twitter(X)...



Let's talk about Recruiters?

- They are ALL of your employees!
 - Do they lead by example?
 - Brand Ambassadors
- Do you have an <u>assigned</u> Recruiter?
 - How can they be reached?
 - Recruiting in other states?



Recruiting...keep it coming

- Build a relationship from the first touchpoint!
 - Department cell phone for recruiters
 - Applicants don't reach out just 8a-5p
 - Podcast
 - Video
- Ensure the team is contacting your applicants at regular intervals (INCLUDING Executive Staff)!



Recruiting...give me more!

- Ensure your website is EASY to navigate and packed with information
- Teach at local Police Academies
- Be a good partner to your neighbors





Partner with Local Schools

- Internship Programs
- Explorer Programs
- Criminal Justice Career Paths
- Scholarship Programs
- School Lunch Programs





Sponsor Officer's Sporting Events





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...a few more strategies!

- Information Sessions
- Open House
- Job Fairs
- Online portals
- Fitness and Wellness programs
- Ride-outs
- Simulations
- Easy link to application





Questions?

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