

Division Chief Wheat Ridge, Colorado

A national search is underway to attract a highly qualified individual to become the next Division Chief for the City of Wheat Ridge, Colorado. This is a rare opportunity for an experienced leader and collaborator to work in a progressive law enforcement agency in the heart of the Denver Metropolitan Area. Wheat Ridge seeks a servant leader with impeccable integrity who is committed to advancing public safety, community policing, employee development, and promoting an outstanding quality of life for residents and visitors. He or she will be an effective communicator who is genuine, personable, welcoming, and humble in all facets of his or her interactions with department members, city staff, and the community. The next Division Chief will recognize the complexities of policing a small community surrounded by a large metropolitan area, including the necessity of strong partnerships. The department is led by Chief Christopher Murtha, who came to the City three years ago from Prince George's County, Maryland. WRPD has a \$13.2 million operating budget authorizing 87 sworn officers and 24 civilian personnel. The selected candidate will work to build leaders at all levels of the department and become known as a "resource" who is innovative and helpful.

Position requires a minimum of five (5) years of experience as a manager or administrator, at the rank of police sergeant, or higher and a bachelor's degree in criminal justice, public administration, or a closely related field required from an accredited college or university. This position requires certification as a police officer in Colorado or the ability to obtain certification: <https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/post/provisional-certification>. The salary range for this at-will position is \$140,800 - \$218,130 annually, placement within the range will depend on qualifications, salary history and accomplishments. Compensation will be augmented by an excellent benefits package, including a city-supplemented defined contribution retirement plan, a variety of health care options, and other generous fringe benefits. The first review of applications will occur on May 28, 2023. Candidates are strongly encouraged to apply immediately. Electronic submittals should be sent to apply@publicsectorsearch.com and shall include a compelling cover letter, comprehensive resume and six references. Confidential inquiries are welcomed to Mr. Gary Peterson at (916) 622-5323 or gary@publicsectorsearch.com.

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