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SDPD Hosts Second Annual Women's Hiring Expo

PARTICIPANTS MEET WITH VARIOUS UNITS, LEARN ABOUT JOB OPPORTUNITIES

San Diego – Continuing efforts to recruit more women, the San Diego Police Department hosted the second annual Women's Hiring Expo today for potential candidates to get an inside look at opportunities available with SDPD.

The hiring expo is designed for women who are interested in joining the ranks of SDPD. Participants learned about SDPD's hiring process, academy, and different units and job opportunities.

Saturday's event was held at Police Plaza with a welcoming address provided by Police Chief David Nisleit and San Diego Mayor Todd Gloria as well as a keynote address by Assistant Police Chief Sandra Albrektsen.

Participants were broken into smaller groups to hear from various units such as S.W.A.T., K-9, Motors, and Dispatch. The department's Training Unit offered participants a chance to try the Force Option Simulator, a training tool that allows individuals to put themselves in the role of a police officer and determine the best use of force based on a scenario.

As law enforcement agencies across the nation face hiring challenges, the San Diego Police Department has taken a number of steps to bring new officers on board including:

- Hosting hiring expos for potential candidates to learn about becoming a police officer.
- Reinstating the Lateral and Recruitment Incentive Bonus Program.

- Establishing the Blue Arrow Program, which provides mentorship to assist individuals in preparation of becoming police officers through monthly seminars about topics that often can pose hurdles for applicants during the hiring process.
- Attending more recruiting events, continuing digital marketing campaigns and developing more marketing materials.
- Working with the Police Officers Association to create the first, extended-hour childcare center to meet the needs of law enforcement on City property.

If you were unable to attend the hiring expo, you can learn more about joining SDPD at JoinSDPDNow.com.

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