

Wanted:

Volunteer LAPD Transit Specialist Police Reserve Officers

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(April 5, 2002) Have you ever wanted to explain something to a police officer? Here is your opportunity.

The Los Angeles Police Department's Transit Group would like to invite any interested MTA employee to join the ranks of LAPD by becoming a volunteer Specialist Police Reserve Officer. This invitation is open to all MTA employees and their friends.

... and, you'll be appreciated, too! See [Appreciation Day: MTA Says 'Thanks' to its Cops](#)

Transit Group, headquartered at Gateway Plaza, provides law enforcement service for the Metro Red Line, as well as for Metro Buses operating within the city of Los Angeles.

The LAPD also needs volunteer Line Reserve Officers. Line Reserves go through the same training and perform the same tasks as full-time police officers, although they do not have peace officer status.

Volunteer Specialist Reserves, in addition to being available to consult with LAPD personnel, will be given opportunities to provide instruction to various LAPD entities, especially Transit Group.

Explorer advisors

Additionally, those who are interested in, and are selected to be, volunteer Explorer Advisers will be classified as volunteer Specialist Reserves.

There will also be some social activities from time to time throughout the year.

Special assignments include, but are not limited to:

- Chemist
- Physician
- Teacher
- Advertising Artist
- Photographer
- Statistician
- Computer Systems Analyst
- Chaplain
- Technical Writer
- Criminalist
- Computer Programmer

In no case would the requirements of any assignment exceed the training and abilities of the Specialist Police Reserve Officer.

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