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# Worthington Police News



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## Employment Opportunities

Do you want to make a difference in your community?

Now is your chance!

The Worthington Police Department is hiring both police officers and a Community Service Officer / Animal Control Officer.

The police officer position requires the applicant to be Minnesota POST licensed or eligible to be licensed, to complete an

employment application and the supplemental questionnaire, and to provide a cover letter.

For the minimum requirements on becoming a police officer, please visit the Minnesota POST Board website.

This position is open until filled.

The Community Service Officer / Animal Control Officer requires a high school diploma or GED, two

years of vocational or technical school in a related field, and one year of experience in an enforcement position in the US.

This position requires the applicant to have and maintain a valid driver's license. The applicant must also be a U.S. citizen or naturalized citizen.

This position will be open until filled.

For more information, please go to [www.ci.worthington.mn.us/employment-opportunities](http://www.ci.worthington.mn.us/employment-opportunities)

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## Work Anniversaries

Detective David Hoffman	20 Years
Receptionist Barb Hussong	18 Years
Officer Kyle Schreier	1 Year

**Animal Control**  
Josh Erwin

**Community Service**  
Myra Onnen

**Reception**  
Barb Hussong

**Records**  
Shari Droll  
Julie Jeppesen

**TAC/IT**  
Gary Gerdes

**Dispatch Supervisor**  
Nancy Veen

**Dispatch**  
Tonya Aanenson  
Stephanie Evers  
Jodi Mulder  
Zach Ramerth  
Joe Reith

**K-9 Officers**  
Frankee  
Mack  
Winston

## Economic Impact Payments

Almost 4 million Americans are still waiting for their Economic Impact Payments.

Last week the IRS started sending out the latest batch of Economic Impact Payments as a prepaid debit card in plain white envelopes.

The problem is that many people are mistaking these payments as junk mail and they have been throwing them away.

The real payment cards will come in a

plain white envelope from Money Network Cardholder Service and the debit card inside will be issued by MetaBank.

If you have discarded or destroyed your stimulus card, you can get a replacement card at no cost.

To get your replacement card, call customer service at 800-240-8100 (TTY: 800-241-9100) and select the lost or stolen option.

This will deactivate your old card and



allow you to order a new replacement card.

To check on the status of your IRS Stimulus check, you can go to the IRS Get My Payment Page and follow the prompts.

## Crime Stoppers' App

Crime Stoppers now has an app!!!

- To locate the app simply go to your phone's app store and type in "Submit a Tip".
- Look for the app that is named "P3 Tips" with the logo that matches the logo to the left of this article (blue square with white letter P and blue number 3)
- The P3 Tips app is free
- Tipsters will be directed through the app to submit a tip by selecting the state and city or county.

Tips made to Crime Stoppers is anonymous and information that leads to a felony arrest may be eligible to receive a reward of up to \$1,000.

You can report crimes or fugitives you have knowledge about, regardless of if they have been in the news or listed on the Crime Stoppers website.



On June 5<sup>th</sup>, Governor Walz released his latest COVID-19 guidelines, which start June 10, 2020.

**Vulnerable Minnesotans**  
Under the latest guidelines, vulnerable Minnesotans should continue to stay at home and social distance to protect themselves from the virus.

This group includes those at-risk for more severe illnesses, such as the elderly and individuals with underlying health conditions.

**Large Gatherings**  
Large gatherings of 10 people indoors and 25 people outdoors are still prohibited.

**Small Businesses**  
Small businesses can open with restrictions. These restrictions include only allowing 50 percent capacity, and social distancing for employees and customers.

**Work at Home**  
If you can work at home, you are encouraged to do so.

**Bars and Restaurants**  
Bars and restaurants can start serving outdoors and indoors at 50 percent capacity.

Total indoor and outdoor dining are capped at 250 individuals.

All customers must be

seated, and social distancing must be maintained.

Dancing is prohibited.

**Salons/Movies/Fitness Centers/ Pools**  
Hair salons and barber shops can open at 25 percent capacity.

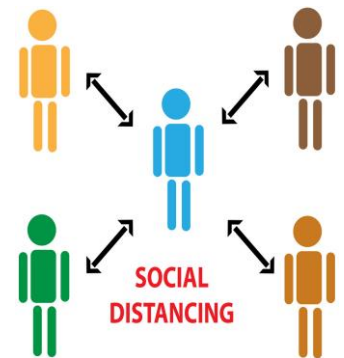
Movie theaters, indoor concert venues, bowling alleys, fitness centers can open at 25 percent capacity.

Pools can open at 50 percent capacity.

**Religious Facilities**  
Churches and other religious facilities can open at 50 percent capacity.

**Camping**  
Public and private facilities can open as of June 1<sup>st</sup>, but need to abide by social distancing guidelines and sanitation requirements.

**School Closures**  
No update



## Ask an Officer:

### Can I buy a handgun in South Dakota and bring it back to Minnesota?

Under federal law, Federal Firearms License (FFL) holders are the only people who can legally handle the sale of firearms across state lines.

If you possess a FFL, then you can legally purchase a firearm in one state and import it to another state.

If you do not have a FFL, you can still purchase a firearm in another state, but you cannot take possession of that firearm. You would need to purchase the firearm, and have it shipped to a FFL in the state where you live.

Many FFL holders are willing to do this for a small fee.

### Does a gun silencer actually make guns silent?

Firearm suppressors, commonly referred to as silencers, do not make firearms silent; far from it.

For example, a .308 rifle without a suppressor is about 167 decibels without a suppressor. With the suppressor it is 133 decibels.

A Glock 17 9mm handgun without a suppressor is about 162 decibels and with the suppressor it is 126 decibels.

To put this in comparison, a

standard police siren is approximately 120 decibels. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; loud noises above 120 decibels can cause immediate hearing damage. While suppressors may look cool in the movies, they do not make the gun silent.

They do serve an important purpose in conserving hearing for people who use and train with firearms.

Do you have a question for a police officer, but never had the chance to ask?

Send your comments and questions to:

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**CRIME  
STOPPERS**  
*of Minnesota*

**1-800-222-TIPS**

[www.crimestoppersmn.org](http://www.crimestoppersmn.org)

**Crime Doesn't Pay... We Do!**

## Humor in Law Enforcement

What started off as a simple traffic stop gave a Utah State Trooper more than he bargained for.

After observing a vehicle driving slowly and weaving on the I-15 interstate, the trooper turned on his lights and siren and stopped the vehicle.

The driver neatly pulled over to the side of the road and the trooper approached the suspected impaired driver.

The trooper was shocked to discover the driver was not impaired, but was a five-year-old boy.

The five-year-old got into an argument with his mother because she would not buy him a Lamborghini.

Left with no other option, the five-year-old got into his mother's car and left for California to buy his Lamborghini.

He may have been a little short on cash to



buy the car since he only had 3 dollars in his wallet.

I don't think he is going to get his Lamborghini now.

Credit: Reuters.com

## Mission Statement

**Serving Worthington with honor and integrity  
by working WITH the community  
to provide exceptional public safety.**

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