



# Law Enforcement Officer

## \$49,613 - \$100,000

### ANSWER THE CALL. PROTECT WHAT MATTERS.

Whether you're just starting out or considering a career change, law enforcement can offer the opportunity for stable employment that allows you to protect and serve the public.

Nebraska's law enforcement job outlook is steady and promising, with approximately 3,800 to 4,200 officers statewide. Employment is projected to grow 4% over ten years.

The median salary for a law enforcement officer in Nebraska is **\$61,342 per year**, which can increase based on specialization or experience.

### Pathways to Law Enforcement

- Minimum requirement of high school diploma or GED
- Be at least 21 years old and a U.S. citizen
- Train through a law enforcement academy (16 weeks)
- Trade schools and community colleges offer criminal justice programs that typically take up to 2 years with credits that transfer to four-year universities



### Training Programs

- [Nebraska Law Enforcement Training Center \(NLETC\)](#)
- [Nebraska State Patrol Training Academy](#)
- [Metropolitan Community College](#)
- [Bellevue University](#)

### Possible Employers

Nebraska's law enforcement agencies are actively hiring across the state—from campus security, county sheriffs, and state patrolmen. Nebraska needs individuals who are ready to serve with courage and compassion. Choosing a career in law enforcement means choosing a life of purpose. Be sure to check job posting sites for openings!