

Job Reflective Narrative

For my job shadow I job showed a Tulare County Sheriff Deputy. The deputy's name is Deputy Robinson. I shadowed her on January 04, 2015. The deputy patrols the cities of Lindsay, Strathmore, and Plainview. I chose to job shadow a Sheriff's Deputy because i plan to go to college to study criminal justice so i can become a deputy as well.

As we began our day we began by patrolling the city of Strathmore. We drove around the city observing for anything that seemed out of the ordinary. Once we saw that there was nothing wrong in Strathmore we drove to Lindsay. As we were headed to the area of Lindsay we got dispatched to help lindsay Police department with a call they had. Once we got to Lindsay we met up with a Lindsay Police officer that informed us that they were looking for a female wearing a black shirt and blue jeans that had been physically fighting with a neighbor. We drove around the area where they had reported seeing her for a few minutes but the female was nowhere in sight. Once we informed Lindsay Police that we weren't able to locate her they said that they'd keep their eyes out for her during the day. We then headed to the area of Plainview. We drove around Plainview and patrolled the streets. Once we saw that there was nothing wrong we headed back to Strathmore. Once in Strathmore we pulled a van over for no license plate in the back. The owner notified that they had been robbed of their plates and that they had not received their new plates. We let them go with a warning and we went on our way. As we drove off we got dispatched to a burglary alarm in the vicinity of Strathmore. We headed to a house in the middle of some orchards. As we got there we inspected the place and there was nothing wrong with the work shop. We notified dispatched and went on our way. We drove by the Lindsay-Strathmore airport to make sure nobody was doing anything illegal in that area. As we got to the location we contacted a man that was riding bike in the private property. We talked to him and he notified us that he had his personal airplane in one of the hangers. We told him to have a good day and that if he saw anything wrong around there not to hesitate to call us. We drove around for a couple more hours surveilling the areas. We didn't really have anything after that. Once the shift was over i thanked the officer and i headed home.

I learned that there are a lot of friendly people that salute the deputies as they patrol the streets. I also learned that you can never be too careful in any type of call that you're dispatched to. You need to expect the unexpected when you're out on any call, anything from just a regular routine stop to a burglary alarm. I learned to always keep my guard up and always keep your

eyes open and look for the littlest details. If you make one single mistake in that type of job it can cost you your life.

I am still interested in this job because i want to help the people from my community and other surrounding communities out. I want those communities to be safe for the kids to play and have a good time and not to fear of being outside. I want to make a change to all this crime that is happening around us. I don't want my younger siblings to grow up around the crime that I've seen happen and the crime that i grew up around. I want the people from our communities to have a safe environment to live in.