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I would first like to thank you for showing interest in our Reserve Deputy Program. Our Reserve Deputy Program has been in existence for almost 50 years. Many of our former Reserve Deputies are now full time employees with our office.

Currently, there are approximately 50 active Reserve Deputies in our program and on average the Reserve Deputies donate approximately 17,000 hours of service each fiscal year. The hours donated by the Reserve Deputies have saved EBRSO over \$500,000 each calendar year. We have a proud past and an even stronger commitment to Sheriff Gautreaux and the citizens of East Baton Rouge Parish.

If selected to join our Reserve Deputy Program, you will attend the Reserve Academy, which will usually start toward the beginning of each year. The academy is taught by Lt. V. Budd, Reserve Academy Director, and Lt. D. Flitter, a member of our training division. Classes are held on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday evenings, usually from 6-10pm. We also hold classes on weekends, which are generally from 8am-4pm. All costs associated with the academy are covered by the Sheriff's Office. You will be issued a weapon and duty gear, at this time the weapon is a revolver. However, if you wish to buy a semi-automatic handgun you will be provided with an approved list. If you purchase your own weapon you will be required to buy your own holster and magazine pouches. The academy usually lasts around six months, with days off for holidays and depending on our scheduling conflicts, it can run longer.

Upon graduation, you will be commissioned as a Deputy Sheriff for East Baton Rouge Parish. You will have full powers of arrest and no one will be able to tell you apart from a full time employee. We do not differentiate between Reserve and full time Deputies. Next, we will assign you to one of our Uniform Patrol Squads, which will be wherever the manpower is most needed.

You will be required to donate a minimum of twenty hours a month in your assigned squad, but there are benefits to donating more than the minimum hours required. You will be required to attend the monthly meetings, which are generally held the first Thursday of each month, and attend any training deemed necessary by the Sheriff's Office. You will be required to attend the same training as a full time Deputy, which is why our Reserve

Deputies are the most well trained Reserve Deputies in the region. We also require the Reserve Deputies to work several free events throughout the year, as Sheriff Gautreaux has tasked the Reserves with staffing several high profile events throughout the year.

There is no greater heart than that of a volunteer. I hope you will decide to join our team and make a difference in our community.

Sincerely,

Lieutenant Verner Budd
Assistant Reserve Commander
Reserve Academy Director
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