**Wheat Ridge, Colorado  
Chief of Police**

A national search is underway to attract a highly-qualified individual to become the next Chief of Police for the City of Wheat Ridge Police Department in the heart of the Denver Metropolitan Area. Wheat Ridge seeks to continue its strong police-community relationship while advancing its commitment to public safety, community policing and promoting an outstanding quality of life for residents and visitors. The City seeks a Chief of Police who is passionate about that mission and enthusiastic about the opportunity to lead a CALEA accredited police agency with 84 authorized sworn and 24 professional staff and an $11 million budget. The ideal candidate will have impeccable integrity and be an effective communicator who is genuine, personable, welcoming, and humble in all facets of their interactions with department members, city staff, and the community. The next chief will recognize the complexities of policing a small community surrounded by a large metropolitan area, including the necessity of strong partnerships with allied agencies, the community and other stakeholders. In addition to opening new doors for communication and transparency, the next Chief of Police will have the opportunity to transform the culture of the WRPD while providing effective leadership to support the City’s goals. Position requires 10 years of progressively responsible law enforcement experience, including senior executive assignments and management of community policing and crime reduction efforts. It is preferred that this experience is with a similar-sized or larger metropolitan police agency. A Bachelor’s degree, preferably augmented by post-graduate studies, is highly desirable. Position requires certification as a police officer, or ability to obtain certification as mandated by Colorado POST: <https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/post/provisional-certification>. The salary range for this at-will position is $128,500 - $199,100 annually, with placement with the range depending on qualifications, salary history and accomplishments. Compensation is augmented by an excellent benefits package. The first review of applications will occur on November 15, 2019. Candidates are strongly encouraged to apply immediately. Electronic submittals are to be sent to [apply@publicsectorsearch.com](mailto:apply@publicsectorsearch.com) and shall include a compelling cover letter, comprehensive resume and six references. Confidential inquiries are welcomed to Mr. Gary Peterson at (916) 622-5323 or [gary@publicsectorsearch.com](mailto:gary@publicsectorsearch.com). A detailed brochure can be viewed at <https://www.publicsectorsearch.com/jobs/>.