

Annual Report of Diversity in Law Enforcement Recruitment and Hiring

Somerset- Bedminster Township Police Department

Time Period: 2023

Reporting Requirement: N.J.S.A. 52:17B-4.10

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Applicant and Hiring Process Summary

Somerset- Bedminster Township Police Department is a Municipal law enforcement agency. During the time period covering 2023 the agency received applications for law enforcement officers. The agency's hiring process is not governed by Civil Service Regulations.

For Somerset- Bedminster Township Police Department in the above time period, the applicant and hiring process included the following methods of identifying applicants:
Direct hire of BCPO certified officer

During the hiring process, Bedminster Township Police Department included the following elements to identify the most qualified applicants:
Formal Application
Interview Board
Drug Testing
Medical Exam
Psychiatric Exam

During the hiring process, Bedminster Township Police Department considers an applicant to be appointed

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Annual Summary of Law Enforcement Diversity: Applicant Summary

	# % of Total Applicants			# % of Total Applicants	
Total Applicants	19	-	Direct Hire Applicants	19	100%
Total Applicants Appointed	4	21%	Transfer Applicants	0	0%
Total Applicants Not Appointed	15	79%	Waiver Applicants	0	0%
			CSC Exam Exempt Direct Hire Applicants	0	0%

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Annual Summary of Law Enforcement Diversity: Applicant Demographic Summary

		Total Applicants	% of Total	Direct Hire Applicants	Transfer Applicants	Waiver Applicants
Gender	Total Male	18	95%	18	0	0
	Total Female	1	5%	1	0	0
	Total X or Non-Binary	0	0%	0	0	0
Sexual Orientation	LGBTQ+	0	0%	0	0	0
	Not LGBTQ+	19	100%	19	0	0
Race/ Ethnicity	Total American Indian or Alaska Native alone	0	0%	0	0	0
	Total Asian alone	0	0%	0	0	0
	Total Black or African American alone	0	0%	0	0	0
	Total Native Hawaiian/ other Pacific Islander alone	0	0%	0	0	0
	Total White alone	14	74%	14	0	0
	Total Two or more races alone	0	0%	0	0	0
	Total Other alone	0	0%	0	0	0
	Total Hispanic or Latino	5	26%	5	0	0
Age	Total 18-29	10	53%	10	0	0
	Total 30-39	9	47%	9	0	0
	Total 40-49	0	0%	0	0	0
	Total 50-59	0	0%	0	0	0
	Total 60-69	0	0%	0	0	0
	Total 70+	0	0%	0	0	0

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Annual Summary of Law Enforcement Diversity: Applicants

Applicants: Gender, Race & Age Demographics

	<i>American Indian or Alaska Native alone</i>	<i>Asian alone</i>	<i>Black or African American alone</i>	<i>Native Hawaiian / other P. I. alone</i>	<i>White alone</i>	<i>Two or more races alone</i>	<i>Other alone</i>	<i>Hispanic or Latino</i>
Male	0	0	0	0	14	0	0	4
Female	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
X or Non-Binary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	14	0	0	5

	<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>	<i>X or Non- Binary</i>	<i>American Indian or Alaska Native alone</i>	<i>Asian alone</i>	<i>Black or African American alone</i>	<i>Native Hawaiian / other P. I. alone</i>	<i>White alone</i>	<i>Two or more races alone</i>	<i>Other alone</i>	<i>Hispanic or Latino</i>
Age: 18-29	9	1	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	2
Age: 30-39	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	3
Age: 40-49	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Age: 50-59	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Age: 60-69	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Age: 70+	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Annual Summary of Law Enforcement Diversity: Applicants

Applicants: Sexual Orientation Demographics

	Male	Female	X or Non-Binary	American Indian or Alaska Native alone	Asian alone	Black or African American alone	Native Hawaiian / other P. I. alone	White alone	Two or more races alone	Other alone	Hispanic or Latino
LGBTQ+	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not LGBTQ+	18	1	0	0	0	0	0	14	0	0	5

	Age: 18-29	Age: 30-39	Age: 40-49	Age: 50-59	Age: 60-69	Age: 70+
LGBTQ+	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not LGBTQ+	10	9	0	0	0	0

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Appointed Applicants: Gender, Race, & Age Demographics

	<i>American Indian or Alaska Native alone</i>	<i>Asian alone</i>	<i>Black or African American alone</i>	<i>Native Hawaiian / other P. I. alone</i>	<i>White alone</i>	<i>Two or more races alone</i>	<i>Other alone</i>	<i>Hispanic or Latino</i>
Male	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
Female	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
X or Non-Binary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2

	<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>	<i>X or Non- Binary</i>	<i>American Indian or Alaska Native alone</i>	<i>Asian alone</i>	<i>Black or African American alone</i>	<i>Native Hawaiian / other P. I. alone</i>	<i>White alone</i>	<i>Two or more races alone</i>	<i>Other alone</i>	<i>Hispanic or Latino</i>
Age: 18-29	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Age: 30-39	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
Age: 40-49	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Age: 50-59	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Age: 60-69	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Age: 70+	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Appointed Applicants: Sexual Orientation Demographics

	Male	Female	X or Non-Binary	American Indian or Alaska Native alone	Asian alone	Black or African American alone	Native Hawaiian / other P. I. alone	White alone	Two or more races alone	Other alone	Hispanic or Latino
LGBTQ+	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not LGBTQ+	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2

	Age: 18-29	Age: 30-39	Age: 40-49	Age: 50-59	Age: 60-69	Age: 70+
LGBTQ+	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not LGBTQ+	0	4	0	0	0	0

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Not Appointed Applicants: Gender, Race, and Age Demographics

	<i>American Indian or Alaska Native alone</i>	<i>Asian alone</i>	<i>Black or African American alone</i>	<i>Native Hawaiian / other P. I. alone</i>	<i>White alone</i>	<i>Two or more races alone</i>	<i>Other alone</i>	<i>Hispanic or Latino</i>
Male	0	0	0	0	12	0	0	2
Female	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
X or Non-Binary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	12	0	0	3

	<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>	<i>X or Non- Binary</i>	<i>American Indian or Alaska Native alone</i>	<i>Asian alone</i>	<i>Black or African American alone</i>	<i>Native Hawaiian / other P. I. alone</i>	<i>White alone</i>	<i>Two or more races alone</i>	<i>Other alone</i>	<i>Hispanic or Latino</i>
Age: 18-29	9	1	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	2
Age: 30-39	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	1
Age: 40-49	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Age: 50-59	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Age: 60-69	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Age: 70+	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Not Appointed Applicants: Sexual Orientation Demographics

	Male	Female	X or Non-Binary	American Indian or Alaska Native alone	Asian alone	Black or African American alone	Native Hawaiian / other P. I. alone	White alone	Two or more races alone	Other alone	Hispanic or Latino
LGBTQ+	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not LGBTQ+	14	1	0	0	0	0	0	12	0	0	3

	Age: 18-29	Age: 30-39	Age: 40-49	Age: 50-59	Age: 60-69	Age: 70+
LGBTQ+	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not LGBTQ+	10	5	0	0	0	0

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Not Appointed Applicant- Reasons

	% of Total Not # Appointed Applicants			% of Total Not # Appointed Applicants	
Academy Failure	0	0%	Failed Background check- other	0	0%
Applicant Withdrawal	1	7%	Failed Drug Test	0	0%
Defer	0	0%	Interview Panel Recommendation	12	80%
Did not meet minimum qualifications	1	7%	Other	1	7%
Failed background check- Criminal History	0	0%	Physical Qualification Exam	0	0%
Failed background check- Financial	0	0%	Residency Requirement	0	0%
			Written Exam	0	0%

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Not Appointed Applicants- Reasons by Gender & Race

Male Applicants

	<i>American Indian or Alaska Native alone</i>	<i>Asian alone</i>	<i>Black or African American alone</i>	<i>Native Hawaiian / other P. I. alone</i>	<i>White alone</i>	<i>Two or more races alone</i>	<i>Other alone</i>	<i>Hispanic or Latino</i>
Academy Failure	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Applicant Withdrawal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Defer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Did not meet minimum qualifications	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Failed background check- Criminal History	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Failed background check- Financial	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Failed Background check- other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Failed Drug Test	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Interview Panel Recommendation	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	1
Physical Qualification Exam	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Residency Requirement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Written Exam	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0

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Not Appointed Applicants- Reasons by Gender & Race

Female Applicants

	<i>American Indian or Alaska Native alone</i>	<i>Asian alone</i>	<i>Black or African American alone</i>	<i>Native Hawaiian / other P. I. alone</i>	<i>White alone</i>	<i>Two or more races alone</i>	<i>Other alone</i>	<i>Hispanic or Latino</i>
Academy Failure	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Applicant Withdrawal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Defer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Did not meet minimum qualifications	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Failed background check- Criminal History	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Failed background check- Financial	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Failed Background check- other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Failed Drug Test	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Interview Panel Recommendation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Physical Qualification Exam	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Residency Requirement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Written Exam	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Not Appointed Applicants- Reasons by Gender & Race
X or Non-Binary Applicants

	<i>American Indian or Alaska Native alone</i>	<i>Asian alone</i>	<i>Black or African American alone</i>	<i>Native Hawaiian / other P. I. alone</i>	<i>White alone</i>	<i>Two or more races alone</i>	<i>Other alone</i>	<i>Hispanic or Latino</i>
Academy Failure	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Applicant Withdrawal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Defer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Did not meet minimum qualifications	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Failed background check- Criminal History	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Failed background check- Financial	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Failed Background check- other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Failed Drug Test	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Interview Panel Recommendation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Physical Qualification Exam	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Residency Requirement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Written Exam	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Current Officers and Promotional Process Summary

Somerset- Bedminster Township Police Department is a Municipal law enforcement agency. During the time period covering 2023 the agency received applications for a promotional opportunity. The agency's promotional process is not governed by Civil Service Regulations.

For Somerset- Bedminster Township Police Department in the above time period, the promotional included the following methods of identifying qualified officers:
Promotional Interview

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		# % of Total Officers	
	Total Officers	20	-
	Total Officers Eligible for Promotion	19	95%
	Total Officers Applied for Promotion	18	90%
	Total Officers Promoted	3	15%
<i>Gender</i>	Total Male	19	95%
	Total Female	1	5%
	Total X or Non-Binary	0	0%
<i>Race/ Ethnicity</i>	Total American Indian or Alaska Native alone	0	0%
	Total Asian alone	0	0%
	Total Black or African American alone	0	0%
	Total Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander alone	0	0%
	Total White alone	15	75%
	Total Two or more races alone	0	0%
	Total Other alone	0	0%
	Total Hispanic or Latino	5	25%
<i>Age</i>	Total 18-29	2	10%
	Total 30-39	10	50%
	Total 40-49	4	20%
	Total 50-59	3	15%
	Total 60-69	1	5%
	Total 70+	0	0%

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Annual Summary of Law Enforcement Diversity: Current Officers and Promotions

Current Officers

	<i>American Indian or Alaska Native alone</i>	<i>Asian alone</i>	<i>Black or African American alone</i>	<i>Native Hawaiian / other P. I. alone</i>	<i>White alone</i>	<i>Two or more races alone</i>	<i>Other alone</i>	<i>Hispanic or Latino</i>
Male	0	0	0	0	14	0	0	5
Female	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
X or Non-Binary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	15	0	0	5

	<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>	<i>X or Non- Binary</i>	<i>American Indian or Alaska Native alone</i>	<i>Asian alone</i>	<i>Black or African American alone</i>	<i>Native Hawaiian / other P. I. alone</i>	<i>White alone</i>	<i>Two or more races alone</i>	<i>Other alone</i>	<i>Hispanic or Latino</i>
Age: 18-29	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Age: 30-39	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	4
Age: 40-49	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	1
Age: 50-59	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
Age: 60-69	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Age: 70+	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Officers Eligible for Promotion

	<i>American Indian or Alaska Native alone</i>	<i>Asian alone</i>	<i>Black or African American alone</i>	<i>Native Hawaiian / other P. I. alone</i>	<i>White alone</i>	<i>Two or more races alone</i>	<i>Other alone</i>	<i>Hispanic or Latino</i>
Male	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	1
Female	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
X or Non-Binary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	1

	<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>	<i>X or Non- Binary</i>	<i>American Indian or Alaska Native alone</i>	<i>Asian alone</i>	<i>Black or African American alone</i>	<i>Native Hawaiian / other P. I. alone</i>	<i>White alone</i>	<i>Two or more races alone</i>	<i>Other alone</i>	<i>Hispanic or Latino</i>
Age: 18-29	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Age: 30-39	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Age: 40-49	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1
Age: 50-59	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Age: 60-69	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Age: 70+	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Officers who Applied for a Promotion

	<i>American Indian or Alaska Native alone</i>	<i>Asian alone</i>	<i>Black or African American alone</i>	<i>Native Hawaiian / other P. I. alone</i>	<i>White alone</i>	<i>Two or more races alone</i>	<i>Other alone</i>	<i>Hispanic or Latino</i>
Male	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	1
Female	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
X or Non-Binary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	1

	<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>	<i>X or Non- Binary</i>	<i>American Indian or Alaska Native alone</i>	<i>Asian alone</i>	<i>Black or African American alone</i>	<i>Native Hawaiian / other P. I. alone</i>	<i>White alone</i>	<i>Two or more races alone</i>	<i>Other alone</i>	<i>Hispanic or Latino</i>
Age: 18-29	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Age: 30-39	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Age: 40-49	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1
Age: 50-59	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Age: 60-69	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Age: 70+	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Officers Promoted

	<i>American Indian or Alaska Native alone</i>	<i>Asian alone</i>	<i>Black or African American alone</i>	<i>Native Hawaiian / other P. I. alone</i>	<i>White alone</i>	<i>Two or more races alone</i>	<i>Other alone</i>	<i>Hispanic or Latino</i>
Male	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1
Female	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
X or Non-Binary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1

	<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>	<i>X or Non- Binary</i>	<i>American Indian or Alaska Native alone</i>	<i>Asian alone</i>	<i>Black or African American alone</i>	<i>Native Hawaiian / other P. I. alone</i>	<i>White alone</i>	<i>Two or more races alone</i>	<i>Other alone</i>	<i>Hispanic or Latino</i>
Age: 18-29	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Age: 30-39	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Age: 40-49	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Age: 50-59	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Age: 60-69	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Age: 70+	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Officers Promoted

	<i>Promoted to Sergeant</i>				<i>Promoted to Lieutenant</i>				<i>Promoted to Captain</i>			
	<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>	<i>X or Non-Binary</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>	<i>X or Non-Binary</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Male</i>	<i>Female</i>	<i>X or Non-Binary</i>	<i>Total</i>
American Indian or Alaska Native alone	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Asian alone	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Black or African American alone	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Native Hawaiian / other P. I. alone	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
White alone	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Two or more races alone	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other alone	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hispanic or Latino	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Additional Narrative

Narrative Prompts: A detailed assessment as to whether representation has improved for any previously identified underrepresented groups
A description of the data used to determine the existence of any underrepresentation.
Any new or modified Program goals to be implemented in the upcoming year

The Bedminster Township Police Department is not governed by civil service rules. At the current time, the Bedminster Twp Police Department will continue to utilize our current hiring process to attract the most qualified candidates.

Application Process:

The hiring process requires interested candidates to submit a resume and complete an application on the PoliceApp platform. The Chief of Police shall appoint a hiring review board from among members of the police department to evaluate, interview, and assist in making a recommendation to the Township. The hiring review board will review the resumes and may extend an interview invitation to qualified candidates who meet the general qualifications. After the oral interview, all candidates are given an exit memorandum which explains the N.J. Attorney Generals required notice under Directive 2018-2 and next steps overview. The hiring review board narrows the candidate pool down to no more than two candidates per job vacancy. The first candidate is requested to complete an employment application and personal information release authorization. After the completed application and signed release are received, the background investigation is undertaken. Upon completion of the background investigation, the Chief makes the hiring recommendation to the Township's Police Subcommittee. The next phase is to schedule the applicant for a psychological examination and conduct a drug screening and seek a medical clearance. A preliminary job offer letter which outlines requirements that must be met in order to become a probationary officer and full time permanent police officer is presented to the applicant. After all pre-employment tasks are completed the applicant is appointed by resolution by the Township Committee. If the Applicant does not accept the conditional offer, a background would commence on the second and subsequent applicants as necessary. Bedminster Township Police Department reserves the right to maintain a list of interviewed candidates for future consideration without implementing a new hiring process.

Data Used to Determine Underrepresentation:

The data used for determination of underrepresentation was taken from the 2020 US Census demographic statistics specific to race and ethnicity and gender of current officers. The department is aware that Black or African American and Asian applicants are an underrepresented group. This has been determined using basic data concerning the makeup of the police department. During the next hiring process, the New Jersey Asian American Law Enforcement Association and the National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives will be notified of the hiring process in an attempt to bolster recruiting. Once the hiring process is completed, an analysis can be conducted of both the agency's demographics as well as the demographics of the applicant's. The recruitment process will then be evaluated to determine if changes should be made in an attempt to improve the representation of these groups.