

City of Chewelah
Chief of Police
Employment Opportunity

The City of Chewelah, Washington is currently accepting applications for its next Chief of Police. This police department currently supports 7 full-time employees.

Chewelah is located in northeastern Washington State and is truly a four-season community. Our 2428 citizens love our city, and all the area has to offer. We are 10 miles from the beautiful 49 Degrees North Ski Resort. We are proud to have the only 27-hole championship golf course in the area. A municipal airport that serves the entire area brings the aircraft community to our doorstep. We have an incredible partnership with the Spokane Indian Tribe. They are building a new hotel and casino just minutes from town. Rivers, lakes, mountains, and the Colville National Forest offer something every family could desire when it comes to outdoor recreation. Only 60 miles from the Canadian border, Chewelah is a great place to live and be able to travel to some fun destinations and visit with our neighbors to the north. Simply put, Chewelah is a wonderful place to raise a family.

The City of Chewelah is a safe community that loves and values its police department and expects genuine concern and caring in return. We currently have mutual aid agreements with the Stevens County Sheriff's Office and the Washington State Patrol. Under the direction of the Mayor, the Chief of Police provides leadership, management, administration, and overall operations of the Chewelah Police Department.

In addition to the requirements set forth in RCW 35.21.333, a minimum of 5 years of law enforcement experience is required for this position. Also, a minimum of 2 years of management experience is required. The ideal candidate is someone who strives to be a working chief, and not an administrator confined to the office.

The next Chief of Police will be someone who appreciates the City of Chewelah and its citizens. The successful candidate will be honest and personable and conducts him or herself accordingly whether on or off duty. Our police chief will have positive relationships with civil service, the city council and recruit, train, and develop new officers. He or She will focus on culture and morale with all officers on the department and encourage new ideas and growth within the department.

The Chief of Police in Chewelah will keep pace with societal changes that have changed law enforcement in recent years. Expert-level communication skills and the ability to maintain professional relationships are paramount in the selection of our next Chief of Police. Working with the Mayor and the City Administrator as collaborative partners will ensure the police department is an effective teammate with all other City departments.

Compensation Package

The salary range for this salary-exempt position will be \$90,000 to \$110,000 annually, and appointment will be made depending upon the qualifications and experience of selected candidate. The City of Chewelah provides an excellent benefits package, including comprehensive medical, dental and vision coverage. Life insurance, vacation, holidays, and sick leave are included. The city is very pro-active in professional development with in-state- and nation-wide training available. Retirement benefits are through the Washington State Department of Retirement Systems Law Enforcement Officers and Firefighters Programs. (LEOFF).

To be considered for this excellent professional opportunity, please email your cover letter, resume and Chewelah City Employment Application to cadmin@cityofchewelah.org. Please name your files Last.First.CL , Last.First.Resume and Last.First.Application. Receipt of your submittal will be acknowledged within 2 business days. All applicants will be updated on their status following the recommendation of candidates.

The filing deadline for this position will be Friday, April 14th, 2023.

If you have questions about the application process, please email James Caruso, City Administrator at cadmin@cityofchewelah.org. or call (509) 935-8311.