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JOHNSON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
CRIMINALISTICS LABORATORY



SUCCESS THROUGH PARTNERSHIP. EXCELLENCE THROUGH PROFESSIONALISM. TRUTH THROUGH SCIENCE.

FORENSIC SCIENTIST CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES

"Leadership is a responsibility shared by all. We trust and empower each other to do the right thing for the right reason for the public good..."

- JOCO Leadership Philosophy

Forensic Scientist Trainee (\$48,472 - \$72,583)

Forensic Scientist (\$55,544 - \$83,191)

Minimum two years of forensic experience and completion of a forensic controlled substances training program.

Senior Forensic Scientist (\$60,736 - \$91,104)

Minimum five years of independent casework experience.

Applications will be accepted through June 21, 2021.

About the Controlled Substances Section:

The Controlled Substances Section currently employees one full-time scientist and two part-time scientists. This opening is a new position for the section.

Forensic Scientists in the Controlled Substances Section analyze items of evidence to determine if they contain a controlled substance, a new psychoactive substance, and/or ethanol. In 2020, 1835 cases were submitted for controlled substance analysis and 1678 cases were completed.



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Strong Public Support

Taxpayers in Johnson County highly value public safety. They have approved tax increases to build a **new County Courthouse** and a **new Medical Examiner's Office** for a combined total of \$245 million. The Medical Examiner's Office opened in June 2020, and the Courthouse opened in January 2021.

Why Choose JCSO?

Johnson County Sheriff's Office follows the leadership of Sheriff Calvin Hayden and operates under the principles of a High Performance Organization. It is the largest law enforcement agency in the State of Kansas.

Our Laboratory was purpose-built in 2012 and currently is staffed by ~40 scientists plus administration and support staff. Services offered include: Controlled Substances, DNA, Trace Evidence, Toxicology, Firearms & Toolmarks, Digital-Multimedia Evidence, Latent Prints and Crime Scene Investigation.



New Courthouse



Our Team is Awesome!

As such, they earn market-leading salaries, regular annual increases, a 3% match program for 457(b) retirement savings plans, and an excellent benefits package including paid gym memberships!



New Medical Examiner's Office

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Our facilities are also pretty cool...

The median household income in Johnson County is **\$81,121**.

There are more than **352,000 workers** in Johnson County, and more than **23,600 employment establishments**.

In the county, there are **571 farms**, totaling **99,354 acres**, and **52 percent** of the farms have less than 50 acres.

Low unemployment rate of **2.6 percent**.

The average travel time to work is **21 minutes**.

There are **298 shopping centers** — including **171 strip malls!**

Johnson County has **208 miles of bike lanes**, including **159 miles of shared roadways**.

Johnson County is home to about **1,315 restaurants and eateries**.

The county is home to **12 museums and 123 historical sites**.

Throughout Johnson County, there are **79 hotels, motels and extended-stay facilities**.

Across the county, there are **194 public school and 53 private school buildings**.

Johnson County residents have access to the county's **17 public libraries**.

Across the county, residents can enjoy **48 swimming pools, beaches and aquatic centers**.

In the county, there are **4 colleges**, including **Johnson County Community College** which had a Fall 2018 enrollment of **18,373** with more than 10,000 full-time equivalent students.

Johnson County has **391 miles of hiking, jogging and bike trails**.

In a nation of **3,007 counties** — including 11 others named Johnson County, there's still **only one Johnson County, Kansas.**

Living Here

Johnson County Kansas is thriving and is an amazing place to live, work and play! For two straight years, www.wallethub.com has ranked [Overland Park, KS](#) as “[America’s #1 Place to Raise a Family](#)” among the country’s 180 most populous cities. It also awarded [Leawood, KS](#) as “[America’s Best Small City to Live In](#)” among US cities with populations 25,000-100,000. Rankings are based on over 40 variables such as cost of housing, quality of schools, job market, restaurants per capita and recreation.

JoCo Geography: 473 square miles, nestled in the southwestern quadrant of the Kansas City metropolitan region.

Johnson County KS is also home to several large corporate headquarters such as Garmin and Sprint and within a short drive of major league Football, Baseball, Soccer and NASCAR.

Prefer more greenery to your scenery?

Rolling green hills, farmland, pastures and several rural towns are a quick 15 minute commute from the Crime Lab!

Overall Rank (1 = Best) ↓	City ↓	Total Score ↓	'Family Fun' Rank ↓	'Health & Safety' Rank ↓	'Education & Child Care' Rank ↓	'Affordability' Rank ↓
1	Overland Park, KS	72.88	94	12	8	2
2	Irvine, CA	70.74	28	3	3	49
3	Fremont, CA	70.71	81	1	2	47
4	South Burlington, VT	70.41	181	5	1	33
5	Bismarck, ND	68.73	145	17	12	1
6	Plano, TX	68.17	127	4	46	5
7	Fargo, ND	66.73	102	25	9	19
8	Sioux Falls, SD	65.92	153	20	15	6
9	Huntington Beach, CA	65.76	90	9	6	77
10	Gilbert, AZ	65.32	64	13	63	9
11	Columbia, MD	65.27	67	50	56	3
12	Lincoln, NE	64.89	73	24	29	11
13	Madison, WI	64.52	70	42	44	7
14	Scottsdale, AZ	64.38	50	32	81	15
15	Seattle, WA	63.44	47	37	25	27

<https://wallethub.com/edu/best-cities-for-families/4435/>