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Job Fair Open to Public: Targets Women

(ANCHORAGE, Alaska) – The Alaska State Troopers are participating in a job fair at UAA Campus Student Union next Thursday, October 22, 2009. The job fair is open to the public, but law enforcement agencies from around the state really want to show women what they could contribute to their ranks.

Women have successfully served along side men in this capacity for decades in Alaska. Col. (Ret.) Julia Grimes made history by being the first woman to head up the Alaska State Troopers. Shirley Gifford, current Director for the Alcohol Beverage Control board, was the Chief of Police in Soldotna before joining the DPS team. At APD and other local police agencies around the state, female officers have been in charge of task forces and specialized units. Women contribute to the ranks of Troopers, Court Services Offices, Police Officers, Corrections Officers and even Village Public Safety Officers.

AST joins other law enforcement agencies in Alaska in encouraging women to consider police work as a top career choice. There is no limit to what you can do.

What: Law Enforcement Job Fair
Where: UAA Campus Student Union
Date: Thursday, October 22, 2009
Time: 9am to 9pm

This event is open to the public. Event organizers are hoping women will take full advantage of the opportunity to come in to learn about “walking the thin blue line.”