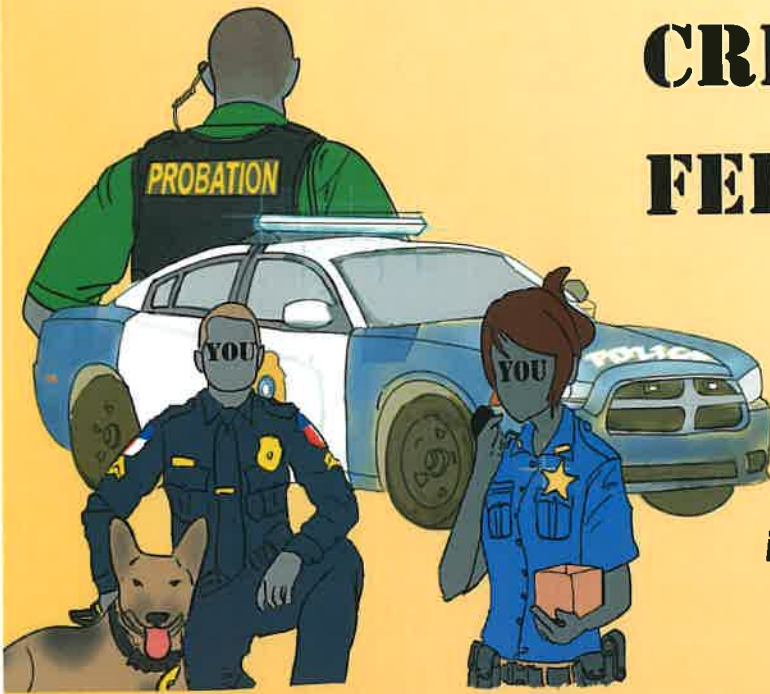


# CRIMINAL JUSTICE FELLOWS PROGRAM



**Graduate of high school or high school senior looking for a career in the criminal justice field?**

**Wanting to have a positive impact on your local community?**

The Criminal Justice Fellows Program can aid you in achieving your goal of becoming a criminal justice professional. We are here to offer you a **100% forgivable loan** to go to any North Carolina Community College to acquire an **Associates Degree**. The loan will be forgiven upon 4 years of working in an eligible profession and county.

**THE APPLICATION PROCESS WILL OPEN NOVEMBER 1**

**THE APPLICATION PROCESS WILL CLOSE MAY 31**



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Full eligibility requirements, forms and FAQ listed  
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March 8, 2022

Dear Principal:

The N.C. Criminal Justice Fellows Program (CJFP) is recruiting for the Fellows Class of 2022. The CJFP provides forgivable educational loans for high school seniors and graduates who agree to enter an eligible criminal justice profession in an eligible county in N.C.

**How does the CJFP help your students?**

This fellowship will fund an Associate Degree from any North Carolina community college. Students who receive the educational loan would have five years to repay, though it would be forgiven if they enter and remain in a criminal justice profession in an eligible county within N.C. for four out of five years after graduation. The program has been expanded and now counties with a population of less than 200,000 according to the latest federal decennial census are eligible. The types of jobs Fellows can go into include state and local sworn law enforcement officers, state correctional officers, sworn sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, detention officers, state juvenile justice officers, telecommunicators under the direct supervision of a law enforcement agency and other correctional officers maintained by local governments and juvenile justice agencies.

**What are we looking for?**

We are looking for high school seniors and graduates in your community that have exhibited high academic achievement, a history of service to the school and community, and a desire to serve the state of N.C. in an eligible field within the criminal justice profession.

Please encourage high school seniors at your school to apply to the CJFP. **The application is open and will close May 31, 2022.** The application can be found online at [ncdoj.gov](http://ncdoj.gov). Enclosed with this letter is a flyer and brochure about the program. Please pass along these materials to the guidance counselor staff at your school.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Respectfully,

*Erica Reid*

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