

# MY NEXT MOVE

## Security Guards

**Also called:** Safety and Security Officer, Security Agent, Security Guard, Security Officer

### What they do:

Guard, patrol, or monitor premises to prevent theft, violence, or infractions of rules. May operate x-ray and metal detector equipment.

### On the job, you would:

- Lock doors and gates of entrances and exits to secure buildings.
- Answer alarms and investigate disturbances.
- Monitor and authorize entrance and departure of employees, visitors, and other persons to guard against theft and maintain security of premises.

## KNOWLEDGE

### Safety and Government

- public safety and security

### Arts and Humanities

- English language

### Business

- customer service

## SKILLS

### Basic Skills

- listening to others, not interrupting, and asking good questions
- keeping track of how well people and/or groups are doing in order to make improvements

### Social

- changing what is done based on other people's actions
- understanding people's reactions

## ABILITIES

### Verbal

- listen and understand what people say
- communicate by speaking

### Attention

- pay attention to something without being distracted

# PERSONALITY

People interested in this work like activities that include **practical, hands-on** problems and solutions.

They do well at jobs that need:

- **Integrity**
- **Dependability**
- **Self Control**
- **Attention to Detail**
- **Cooperation**
- **Adaptability/Flexibility**

# TECHNOLOGY

You might use software like this on the job:

## Spreadsheet software

- IBM Lotus 1-2-3
- Microsoft Excel 🔥

## Video conferencing software

- FaceTime

## Office suite software

- Corel WordPerfect Office Suite
- Microsoft Office software 🔥

# EDUCATION



## high school diploma/GED

usually needed

# JOB OUTLOOK

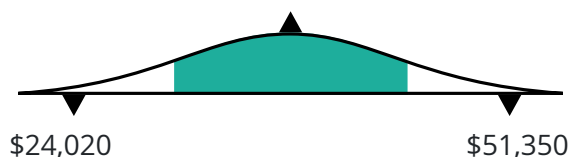


New job opportunities are **very likely** in the future.

**Bright**

SALARY:

**\$34,750**



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