

## CITY OF LUBBOCK invites applications for the position of:

# Benefits and Wellness Manager

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SALARY:

\$25.69 Hourly

\$2,055.20 Biweekly \$53,435.20 Annually

**OPENING DATE:** 01/19/19

**CLOSING DATE: 02/08/19 05:00 PM** 

#### **SUMMARY:**

The purpose of this position is to manage the day-to-day operations of citywide employee health benefits program(s); help plan, facilitate, and oversee the administration of assigned benefits projects and programs; coordinate employee health benefits, and provide functional/project leadership to the benefit employees regarding retirement and the wellness program, responding to complex and escalated inquiries; and, provide responsible, professional support to Human Resources Director.

#### **ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:**

- Plan, direct, and supervise the activities of employees engaged in administration of employee benefits program;
- Select, train, evaluate, and supervise personnel directly or through subordinate personnel.
- Provide functional / project leadership to the Benefit employees and assigned to Benefits workgroup, which includes facilitating benefit and wellness meetings, providing guidance, and advising on work flow and work products;
- Plan, administer, and monitor City benefit plans including health, life, and disability; review and evaluate possible plan changes; monitor status of self-insurance fund for benefit plans;
- Create materials and schedule, facilitate, and/or lead employee meetings as they pertain to city benefits & wellness programs, retirement and any other benefit-related subjects.
- Monitor the budget, track associated costs, approve payments and make recommendations for budget requests pertaining to assigned functional area;
- Communicate benefit plan information to employees; coordinate preparation and distribution of plan descriptions or statements; conduct enrollment for benefit plans and flexible benefit program;
- Assist employees with benefit plan enrollment, changes, and claims;
- Assist employees in resolving problems with claims administrators;
- Develop benefit plan improvements so as to optimize their effectiveness, efficiency, and incorporate managerial policy direction and employee feedback; in conjunction with actuaries, evaluate and recommend appropriate funding needs for the retirement and health plans;
- · Administer retirement and savings programs;
- Serve as an advocate for employees and members enrolled in benefits plans regarding claims or plan issues;
- Collect, compile, review, analyze, and evaluate multiple types of data related to functional area. Research information and prepare a variety of reports for department and Director of Human Resources. Assist with response to open records requests and a variety of surveys and questionnaires from outside entities as related to Employee Benefits and Wellness;
- Review and revise bid specifications, conduct analysis of bids and proposals and make recommendations for contract awards;

- Interpret and apply policies and procedures to ensure coordination between written policy and actual practice; compose and review policies and make recommendations for procedure changes and policy revisions;
- Assesses prevailing/best practices and trends through the exchange and analysis of information from other agencies and professional organizations and make recommendations to Human Resources Director regarding Benefit and Wellness programs;
- Develops, implements, and maintains health promotion/wellness programs and events; benchmarks successful external programs; stay current with best practices to drive continuous improvement of employee health and decrease employer costs on a year over year basis;
- Plan and implement innovative and creative approaches to improve employee health and well-being while reducing high risk factors and behaviors such as tobacco usage, poor illness-management, poor nutrition, and infrequent exercise; develops comprehensive wellness program in alignment of the organization's wellness goals and objectives;
- Perform related duties as required.

#### **QUALIFICATIONS:**

Completion of a bachelor degree in public administration, business administration, or a related field with an additional three to five years experience related to employee benefits administration, payroll, or other human resources administration; or any combination of relevant education and experience which provides the following:

Valid Current Driver's License

## KNOWLEDGE AND ABILITIES: Knowledge of:

- Features of a variety of employee benefit plans including health, life, disability, and retirement;
- Laws applicable to benefit plans and payroll;

### **Ability to:**

- Administer programs related to benefits and payroll;
- Develop and administer a departmental budget;
- Supervise the work of others;
- Communicate effectively orally and in writing.

#### **Physical Requirements:**

- Frequently carry up to 10 pounds.
- Frequently lift up to 10 pounds.
- · Frequently reach below shoulder height

APPLICATIONS MAY BE FILED ONLINE AT: http://www.mylubbock.us

Job #B150-3119 BENEFITS AND WELLNESS MANAGER

THE HUMAN RESOURCES IS LOCATED AT: 1625 13th Street Lubbock, TX 79401 806-775-2281

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