



CITY OF POCATELLO CLASSIFICATION SPECIFICATION

Human Resources Compensation Specialist

Department: Human Resources

Reports to: HR Director

Pay Grade: H13

Date Established: 9/2017

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FLSA Status: Exempt

CLASSIFICATION SUMMARY

The Compensation Specialist responsibilities include planning, analysis, development and maintenance of classification and compensation programs, interpreting and implementing applicable laws and regulations; and developing, implementing, and administering management training and development programs. Work also includes co-administering the City's drug and alcohol awareness and testing program, completing required reports to comply with federal and state laws and City grants, and employing diplomacy and mediation methods to address and resolve human resources challenges.

This is a professional position working under the general direction of the Human Resource Director. The incumbent must be able to analyze, evaluate and devise solutions to a variety of complex challenges and issues and recommend possible resolution; present facts and recommendations verbally and in writing; maintain strict confidentiality; demonstrate sound, independent judgment in resolving problems and making decisions; have functional knowledge of federal, state and local laws and regulations related to human resource administration.

The job requires independent work with wide latitude to exercise professional judgment. An employee in this job will demonstrate excellent communication skills, organizational skills, time management, an attitude of cooperation, and the ability to work harmoniously with all levels of City employees, the general public and other organizations.

The work is conducted in a general office environment with stable temperatures and a moderate level of noise.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES *(illustrative only and may vary by assignment)*

Manages City classification, compensation evaluation and salary administration programs and systems to accomplish short and long-range goals. Reviews and evaluates the effectiveness of related citywide program activities. Consults with City managers on appropriate classification solutions to meet business and strategic workforce planning needs, and resolve staffing issues while maintaining system integrity. Analyzes data to advise on organization and job design alternatives for workforce planning. Recommends changes to improve operations, and meet organization and work process needs. Develops and manages program policies and procedures.

Coordinates all activities related to the Citywide position classification program to maintain consistency in structure of classes and internal alignment. Reviews and approves classification work for compliance with employment laws, and consistency with city policies and practices. Completes evaluation of job positions, and job analysis to determine classification. Oversees analysis and development of job descriptions for positions throughout the organization. Advises managers and employees on classification and compensation policies. Serves as a liaison to all levels of employees, managers and directors to assist in resolving related issues.

Manages activities related to review, analysis and determination of appropriate salary grade by conducting job evaluations using established criteria and methodology to compare positions and ensure internal equity citywide. Collaborates with Department Directors to determine the final rating. Provides advice on the resolution of classification and salary complaints. Assists in identifying market salary analysis needs.

Manages citywide strategic workforce planning activities. Reviews and evaluates the effectiveness of program activities to ensure it meets current and future hiring and business needs. Meets with Department Directors to identify, analyze, plan and provide advice and counsel in resolving short- and long-term staffing needs in various areas including classification, organizational planning, compensation issues, difficult to fill positions, position elimination, succession planning, etc. Works with HR staff to assign and prioritize projects. Meets regularly to review progress of projects.

Coordinates annual Risk Management training throughout the City; researches and selects appropriate in-person training; monitors employee compliance with training requirements; and communicates with the City's Surety to ensure Risk Management Discount Program requirements are followed. Serves as the City's point-of-contact for all ICRMP training related.

Additional duties may include:

Advising executives and managers on recruiting practices and policies; assisting with difficult recruitment searches for qualified candidates by directing use of various sources such as computer databases, networking, internet recruiting resources, media, recruiting firms, employee referrals, etc.; assisting departments in making job and salary offers.

Developing and conducting training on harassment and discrimination, employment law, performance reviews, discipline, terminations and personnel policies and practices, and other topics as needed.

Coordinating civil service and Police Department testing; monitoring and verifying appointments are made in accordance with established policies and procedures, including civil service rules; participation in administration of civil service and Police Department exams.

Performs other duties as assigned. Nothing in this job description restricts management's right to assign or reassign duties and responsibilities to this position at any time.

CLASSIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:

The requirements listed below are representative of the minimum knowledge, skill, and/or ability required for an individual to satisfactorily perform each essential duty satisfactorily and be successful in the position.

Knowledge of:

- Human resource management theory, methods, and practices;
- The legal environment related to human resource management including federal and state laws, codes and regulations;
- Compensation and classification laws and guidelines, pay structures and reward programs;
- Job classification and job valuation methods;
- Succession planning and employee development methods and techniques;
- Employee motivation and performance management methods and techniques;
- Adult learning principles and related training program planning and presentation;
- Interpersonal communication (verbal and written)
- The art of diplomacy and cooperative problem solving;
- Operation of a personal computer and job-related software applications.

Skill and Ability to:

- Plan, analyze, evaluate and propose classification, compensation and performance management programs and policies;
- Develop and implement recruitment strategies for a diverse workforce;

- Develop, implement, and analyze personnel selection methods;
- Plan, develop and present, or arrange for presentation of effective training programs to support the City's mission and goals;
- Analyze problems, identify alternative solutions, and project consequences of proposed actions;
- Interpret and apply complex Federal, State and local policies, procedures, laws, and regulations;
- Work independently and exercise initiative, with general guidance and supervision;
- Demonstrate strong customer service principles including issue resolution;
- Communicate effectively, verbally and in writing;
- Prepare and analyze comprehensive reports;
- Maintain quality work production while dealing with deadline pressures from multiple sources;
- Make prudent decisions where established procedures do not always apply;
- Maintain a collaborative and cooperative working relationship with elected and appointed officials, other City employees, and the public;
- Communicate effectively in the English language at a level necessary for efficient job performance;
- Complete assignments in a timely fashion; understand and comply with all rules, policies and regulations;
- Maintain a professional demeanor at all times;
- Perform all duties in accordance with City policies and procedures with regard for personal safety and that of other employees and the public.

ACCEPTABLE EXPERIENCE, TRAINING, LICENSES AND/OR CERTIFICATIONS

- Bachelor's Degree in Human Resources Management, Business Management or related field is required; and
- Preferred professional certification such as PHR or SPHR; and
- At least three years' experience in classification and compensation planning and implementation; and
- Two years' experience in planning and presenting effective adult training sessions, preferably in a public sector environment is preferred.

An equivalent combination of education and experience that provides the required skills, knowledge and abilities to successfully perform the essential functions of the position may be considered.

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

The employee is frequently required to stand, walk, sit, bend, operate a computer keyboard or type, handle materials, or reach with hands and arms performing the essential functions of the classification. The duties require sitting for long periods, accessing stored file boxes and file cabinets and moving and organizing physical file materials. The employee must occasionally lift 25pounds. Specific vision abilities required by this classification include close vision, distance vision, depth perception and ability to adjust focus, conduct research and inspect materials. Sufficient clarity of speech and hearing abilities required by this classification includes those which permit the employee to discern verbal instructions, communicate effectively in person, by telephone or electronic mail. While performing the duties of this classification, the employee works in an office setting where the noise level in the work environment is usually moderate.

Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.