



Librarian I Youth Services Position Opening

January 3, 2023

Are you excited about providing programs and services to teenagers and families? Do you have a good sense of humor, strong problem-solving skills, a talent for incorporating learning into fun and engaging programming, interest in services for all youth combined with extra enthusiasm for the teen experience? Then come join us at the White Plains Public Library.

The White Plains Public Library has an opening for a Librarian I to work in our Youth Services Department with a focus on providing programs and services in the Edge, our teen area for Grades 7-12. One of the busiest public libraries in New York State, the White Plains Public Library values excellent customer service as well as innovation and experimentation in services and programs.

As a Librarian I, you will provide reference and reader's advisory services to children, teens and adults. You will plan and conduct programs, lead classes and workshops, and other responsibilities as assigned. Candidates should genuinely enjoy working with teens and adults, appreciate providing library services to a diverse, multilingual population, and be able to work effectively with colleagues. The Library, in conjunction with our stated goals in our strategic plan, is actively looking to create more equitable and inclusive programs and experiences for our patrons.

In its 2022-2024 Strategic Plan, the Library committed to equity, diversity and inclusion, holding them as core values. We welcome all people and provide equitable access to Library services, programs and resources. We offer programs, services, materials, and resources that respect, support, and represent the diversity of White Plains and are informed by engagement with our community. We provide a diverse and inclusive workspace and seek to attract and retain staff that reflect the diversity of White Plains. For the Library's complete Strategic Plan, visit <https://whiteplainslibrary.org/policies/plan>.

The City of White Plains is located 25 miles north of New York City in Westchester County. Home to 57,000 residents, the City's population expands to 150,000 every workday as thousands of people travel to the City for work or school. The modern downtown has enjoyed ongoing revitalization with expanded shopping, dining and residential options. With a Metro-North commuter railroad station—the busiest in the lower Hudson Valley—and a bus transit center, people from all over Westchester County and beyond make White Plains a destination for work, leisure and study.

The White Plains Public Library, with a staff of 42 FTE, serves the City through one facility, located in downtown White Plains. In addition to the Trove, the library for children, in 2013 the Library opened the Edge, an innovative library for teens that includes a digital media lab. Recently the Library opened the Hub, a library for adults that includes a café and bookstore and a renovated gallery and studio/auditorium space.

Starting salary is \$60,443; excellent benefits.

Minimum Qualifications: Master's degree in library or information science (MLS/MSIS) from a program that is accredited by the American Library Association or recognized by the New York State Education Department as following accepted education practices.

Special Requirements: Eligibility for a New York State Public Librarian's Professional Certificate at the time of application; possession of certificate at the time of appointment. The successful candidate will also be required to submit a training and experience questionnaire and be reachable for permanent appointment.

Additional Considerations: Teen-focused experience or coursework. Fluency in language(s) other than English is also a plus. Applicants must be available to work evening as well as weekend hours.

The City of White Plains is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

If interested, please email cover letter and resume by Friday, January 13 to: Joshua Carlson, Youth Services Manager, jcarlson@whiteplainslibrary.org. Please put "Librarian Opening" in the subject line.