The FORT LEE PUBLIC LIBRARY – Employment Opportunity

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Position Offered: Full-time Children's Services Librarian

Posting Date: November 5, 2021

Start Date: On or about December 1, 2021

Hours: 35 hours weekly, includes evenings, plus rotating Saturdays and Sundays **Education:** MLS or related Masters; matriculated MLS students will be considered

Ex**perience:** 2 years public library experience preferred

Compensation: \$48,000-\$60,000 annually, commensurate with experience; includes benefits

Job Summary:

The Fort Lee Public Library, serving two culturally diverse communities of 40,000, seeks a highly motivated and enthusiastic individual to join our dynamic Children's Services Department. The qualified candidate should have a strong interest in and experience with programming, literature and services for children and their caregivers. A proactive nature and knack for creative problem solving are essential.

Qualifications:

Successful candidates should possess:

- Strong knowledge of children's literature and ability to assist children and caregivers with reader's advisory
- Ability and demonstrated experience in children's programming from planning to implementation
- A passion for and ability to serve people of diverse backgrounds
- Ability to tailor services based on the needs and interests of the community
- Desire to work in a collaborative environment
- Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with co-workers, associates, local library staff, trustees, policy makers, and partner organizations
- Strong interpersonal skills and a creative problem-solving attitude
- Ability to communicate effectively orally and in writing
- Fluency in English, and preferably a second language as well
- Extensive and creative technical skills, including good command of standard office software, social media, Internet searching, and use of library information technology
- Ability to collect and analyze data and write reports
- Experience with Polaris or other circulation systems
- Ability to shelve materials and perform some lifting

Responsibilities Under the supervision of the Head of Youth Services:

- Work with the Youth Services team and the library at large to provide top-notch services and materials to children birth through grade 6 and caregivers
- Maintain and developing the children's collection; evaluate and select materials for library acquisition
- Plan, implement, and deliver programs for children of various ages with an emphasis on equity, diversity and inclusion
- Promote services and print/digital collections through traditional and social media platforms; outreach
 with the community and schools
- Provide reference, technology assistance and readers' advisory to patrons from children's service desk as well as teen and adult desks as assigned.
- Other duties as required for an evolving and growing Library

Please mail or email the following three (3) REQUIRED documents: (1) Cover Letter, (2) Resume and

(3) <u>Fort Lee Library Employment Application</u> (available at fortleelibrary.org) to: Jessica Schneider, Head of Youth Services, jessica.schneider@fortlee.bccls.org

The Library can only consider candidates who submit <u>all</u> required paperwork.

<u>APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED UNTIL POSITION IS FILLED</u>

Only candidates under consideration will be contacted.

The selected candidate will be required to successfully pass Civil Service testing and requirements, in addition to a criminal background check.

The Fort Lee Public Library hires under NJDOP and EOE Guidelines. As a New Jersey First Act Employer, new employees must establish a primary residence in New Jersey within one year unless an exemption applies.