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| **SALARY:**  | $1,804.57 /BiWeekly  |

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| **COMP. GROUP/RANGE:** 20/11 |
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| **JOB TYPE:** PERMANENT FULL TIME  |
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| **DEPARTMENT:** CDA Housing Operations  |
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| **OPENING DATE:** 01/30/18  |
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| **CLOSING DATE:** 02/22/18 11:59 PM  |
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| **GENERAL DESCRIPTION:**  |
| This is the entry level of the Housing Specialist career progression series.  This work is characterized as basic administrative support work in the implementation of Section 8 housing assistance programs, which includes managing a caseload of clients. The work is performed under the close supervision of higher level technical staff including the Housing Assistance Program Supervisor and is reviewed in progress and upon completion. |
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| **EXAMPLES OF DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:** |
| **Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Administration*** Manage a caseload of 350 participants within the S8 program.
* Maintain participants physical and computer-based files with accuracy and efficiency.
* Obtain 3rd party verifications of participant income, assets, and deductions for annual and interim recertifications.
* Schedule annual recertification and moving appointments.
* Interview participants to discuss income, assets, deductions, rent increases and signing of required HUD documents.
* Calculate rent for admission, interim, annual and special recertifications with accuracy and efficiency.
* Determine eligible voucher size, calculate maximum rent and utilities for participants who are moving.
* Review and approve Request for Tenancy Approvals and leases after participant is approved for a unit.
* Coordinate with S8 Inspector to schedule unit inspection.
* Prepare, execute and send Housing Assistance Payment (HAP) contracts between the Housing Authority (HA) and landlord/owner.
* Respond to inquiries, phone calls, correspondence and email in a timely and responsive manner.
* Process participant requests to transfer/port to a different Housing Authority.

**Tenants and Landlords*** Communicate with prospective and current participants and landlords on program requirements including Housing Quality Standards (HQS) and local, State and Federal policies.
* Assist participants in locating appropriated housing by notifying participants of upcoming vacancies.
* Negotiate with landlords to promote deconcentration of S8 Voucher participants in higher rent areas.
* Negotiate with landlords to lower rents to help units qualify for the program.
* Discuss with participants and landlords their rights and obligations under the terms of the program contractual afreements, especially in cases where eviction may be necessary.
* Perform related work as required.
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| **MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:**  |
| * Two years of administrative and clerical experience which involved some independent responsibility for an office function which involved significant interaction with the public, and interpretation/application of governing standards.
* Such experience would normally be supplemented by business and/or accounting courses.
* Possession of a Bachelor's Degree from an accredited college or university may be substituted for the experience requirements.

**If an applicant does not possess the experience listed above, HR will review the application materials to determine if the applicant possesses the following equivalent experience:**  Two years of experience applying the following: * Applicable office procedures, methods and equipment.
* Knowledge of and ability to use computer software applicable to the duties of the position.

Familiarity with the following:* Standard housing practices relative to tenant/landlord relationships.
* Standard recordkeeping procedures.

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| **SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:**  |
| Possession of a valid driver's license. Ability to obtain Subsidized Housing Eligibility/Income and Rent Calculation/Occupancy Standards Certifications from a CDA approved training organization within the probationary period. Failure to obtain the required certifications will result in forfeiture of the position, absent extenuating circumstances. **Physical Requirements**: Work in this position is primarily sedentary, requiring the ability to sit/stand at a desk, work on a computer, and use a monitor for extended periods of time. |

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| APPLICATIONS MAY BE FILED ONLINE AT:<http://www.cityofmadison.com/jobs>210 Martin Luther King Jr., Blvd.CCB Rm 501MADISON, WI 53703(608) 266-4615hr@cityofmadison.com |  |

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