

## TOWN OF SOUTHINGTON

The Town of Southington is dedicated to serving the people of Southington. We are looking for like-minded, dynamic individuals to come and join our team.

### ASSISTANT DIRECTOR/HEAD REFERENCE LIBRARIAN

This is a professional, administrative, and technical position assisting the director in planning, organizing, directing, and coordinating the operations and services of the library.

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Department:	Southington Public Library
Hours:	9:00am – 5:00pm, Monday – Friday; some evenings and every third Saturday
Location:	255 Main Street, Southington, CT
Salary:	\$82,677; 35-hour workweek
Union:	United Public Service Employee Union Local 424-Unit 11 (Supervisors)
Reports to:	Director of the Southington Library and Barnes Museum
Essential Duties and Responsibilities:	<ol> <li>Directs library operations in the absence of the director</li> <li>Approves purchases in absence of director</li> <li>Maintains and promotes the characteristics of excellent customer service to members of the public, and in assigned area of responsibility</li> <li>Plans, recommends, and executes changes in organization methods and procedures for improvement in efficiency and service to the public</li> <li>Assists in preparation and monitoring of budgets and expenditures</li> <li>Assists in creation, coordination, and implementation of long and short-range programs and projects</li> <li>Research, conducts, and reports on specific projects related to the library</li> <li>Assists in the development, monitoring, and implementation of the library long range plan</li> <li>Develops and monitors library technology plan</li> <li>Participates in preparation of grant documents for special funding, monitors grant activities</li> </ol>
Essential Duties and	11. Keeps informed of developing trends in the provision of library services and in community and professional organizations

#### **Responsibilities:**

- 12. Represents the library in civic, educational, and library affairs of the Town, as needed
- 13. Oversees the development and management of the library policy and procedure manual
- 14. Schedules and supervises the reference staff, and covers the reference desk, as needed
- 15. Responsible for directly and regularly supervising work of the reference staff
- 16. Takes a teamwork approach to the job by cooperating with others, offering to assist others, and considering larger organization or team goals rather than individual concerns
- 17. Builds morale and encourages team members to be committed to the goals and objectives of the library
- 18. Reads, analyzes, and interprets professional journals, technical procedures, government regulations, etc.
- 19. Writes reports, business correspondence, and procedure manuals.
- 20. Analyzes the needs of the library and evaluates the services provided/offered
- 21. Develops and utilizes advanced search methodologies
- 22. Other duties as assigned

## Minimum Qualifications:

#### **Education & Experience**

- 1. Master of Library Science degree from an accredited ALA institution
- 2. Five years' experience in professional public library work
- 3. Three years' experience in supervisory role
- 4. Proficiency in the use of computer technologies and Integrated Library Systems, with ability to learn and use specialized computer software and hardware

#### Additional Qualifications

- 1. Performs research and functions independently
- 2. Strong verbal and written communication skills with a high degree of attention to detail
- 3. Flexible with ability to adapt to interruptions and organizational changes
- 4. Remains calm in stressful situations
- 5. Provides exceptions customer service to all patrons
- 6. Availability to work nights and weekends, as needed
- 7. Sets priorities and meets deadlines

# Physical Demands:

- 1. Ability to sit and stand for extended periods
- 2. Ability to push, pull, and lift objects up to 25 pounds

The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions. Must be able to sit and/or stand for extended periods of time.

Benefits:	Include CT Municipal Employees Retirement System (CTMERS) Pension Plan, generous time off (personal days, vacation, accrued sick leave, including 13 full days & 2 half day holidays) & insurance package (medical, dental, vision care, prescription and life.)
Terms of Employment:	In accordance with the working agreement between the Town of Southington and he United Public Services Employees Union, Local 424-Unit 11.
Evaluations:	Performance to be evaluated annually by the Director of the Southington Library and Barnes Museum.
Job Posted:	4/1/2024
Application Close:	4/15/2024
How to Apply:	Job ID 3334 <a href="https://www.applitrack.com/southingtonschools/onlineapp/admin/_admin.aspx#Report">https://www.applitrack.com/southingtonschools/onlineapp/admin/_admin.aspx#Report</a>

The information contained in this job description is for compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (A.D.A.) and is not an exhaustive list of the duties performed for this position.

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### Contact

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