



COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
invites applications for the position of:

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT, COMMUNITY AND SENIOR SERVICES

SALARY: \$7,329.56 - \$9,612.82 Monthly
\$87,954.72 - \$115,353.84 Annually

OPENING DATE: 10/20/15

CLOSING DATE: 11/03/15 05:00 PM

POSITION/PROGRAM INFORMATION:



APPLICATION FILING PERIOD:

October 21, 2015 8:00 AM - November 3, 2015 5:00 PM

EXAM NUMBER:

R1120C

TYPE OF RECRUITMENT:

Interdepartmental Promotional Job Opportunity

(Restricted to permanent employees of the County of Los Angeles who have successfully completed their initial probationary period and meet the qualifying requirements.)

Current employees in the unclassified service who meet the following criteria also qualify to participate in this exam:

- Unclassified employees who have attained permanent County status on a classified position by successful completion of the initial probationary period, with no break in service since leaving the classified service.
- Full-time employees in the unclassified service with at least six months of full-time experience in the unclassified service at the time of filing or by the last day of filing.

Verification of Experience Letters (VOEL) will not be required. Experience performing duties that applicants believe are inconsistent with their official payroll title will be evaluated for this examination; all information included in the application material, including information describing your assigned duties, will be evaluated to determine qualification. Out of class experience will be accepted for this examination.

Withhold Information: Permanent employees who have completed their initial probationary period and hold a qualifying payroll title may file for this examination if they are within six months of meeting the experience requirements at the time of filing. However, the names of such employees will be withheld from the certification list until the required experience is fully met. Applicants who are within six months of meeting the selection requirements while working out-of-class will not be placed on withhold.

DEFINITION:

Performs special assignment and liaison work for the Department Head as directed.

CLASSIFICATION STANDARDS:

The one position allocated to this class in a department typically reports to a Department Head of a medium to large-sized County department or a department that provide direct services to the Board of Supervisors. The position is responsible for providing a wide range of staff support services on the more complex departmental management issues and operational needs, including conducting special administrative and research studies affecting departmental operations and acting as liaison and coordinator for the director within the department and between the various commissions, boards, committees and public and private entities. Incumbents must possess a thorough knowledge of departmental operations sufficient to analyze, evaluate, and develop procedures and methods affecting the commitment of departmental resources; effective communicating skills, including written and oral; and the ability to deal effectively with various officials of other agencies, County departments, and Board Offices who work with the department.

ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS:

Acts as the Department Head's liaison with departmental management, the Board of Supervisors Office, County Commissions, other County departments, and public officials.

Plans, organizes, manages, integrates, and evaluates the work of the communications team. Attends staff meetings to obtain information and advises management on the public relations impact of proposed activities and programs.

Develops and maintains an outlet through radio, television, internet/social media, and the press for announcements of programs, services, and activities; and develops material to be presented.

Directs the communications team in the preparation of publicity releases and feature articles on Department activities.

Plans and directs special events of a public relations nature.

Encourages and assists reporters and magazine writers in the development of special features and in the dissemination of information regarding the Department.

Composes a variety of general and special information pamphlets concerning various phases of the Director's departmental operations for distribution to the public.

Arranges radio and television appearances for the Director and prepares supporting materials.

Contacts and works with representatives of other agencies both public and private in disseminating information concerning departmental services and activities with the ultimate goal being maximum public utilization and benefit of those services.

Arranges for speeches to be given by the Director or personally makes speeches before various civic groups and organizations.

Reviews rough drafts of departmental reports, manuals, and directives for proper composition and considers public relations implications.

Reads technical and trade magazines, papers, and legislative bills for items of interest to or affecting the Director.

Writes and edits all talking points to be utilized for the Director at various speaking engagements.

Represents the Department Head at meetings, as directed.

REQUIREMENTS:**SPECIALTY REQUIREMENTS:**

OPTION I: A Bachelor's Degree from an accredited college* -AND- Three (3) years of experience in a responsible staff, advisory, or administrative capacity analyzing and making recommendations for the solution of problems of organization, procedure, program, budget, or personnel, one year of which must have been in public relations and communications including the writing and placing of news and feature articles for the various communication media.

OPTION II: Seven (7) years of experience in a responsible staff, advisory, or administrative capacity analyzing and making recommendations for the solution of problems of organization, procedure, program, budget, or personnel, one year of which must have been in public relations and communications including the writing and placing of news and feature articles for the various communication media.

LICENSE:

A valid California Class C Driver License or the ability to utilize an alternative method of transportation when needed to carry out job-related essential functions.

PHYSICAL CLASS:

2 -Light: Light physical effort which may include occasional light lifting to a 10 pound limit, and some bending, stooping or squatting. Considerable walking may be involved.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

EXAMINATION CONTENT:

This examination will consist of two (2) parts:

PART I: A written test weighted 70% that contains both paper-pencil and computerized components covering Written Expression, Reading Comprehension, Data Analysis and Decision Making, Achievement, Confidence and Optimism, Flexibility, Independence, Influence, Innovation, Sense of Duty, Thoroughness, Coaching & Development, Monitoring, Decision Making, and Prioritizing.

The written test is tentatively scheduled to take place on **November 19 or 20, 2015**.

PART II: An oral presentation weighted 30% that will assess Oral Communication, Problem Solving, Organization, Adaptability, Technical Knowledge, and Decision Making.

Note: All test invitations will be sent to candidates via email. It is important that candidates provide a valid email address in their application. Please add srivanis@hr.lacounty.gov to your email address book and list of approved senders to prevent email notifications from being filtered as spam/junk mail.

Applicants must meet the Selection Requirements and must achieve a passing score of 70% or higher on each weighted part of the examination in order to be placed on the eligible list.

Final results will be sent by U.S. mail. Test scores cannot be given over the phone.

WRITTEN TESTS ARE NOT REVIEWABLE BY CANDIDATES PER CIVIL SERVICE RULE 7.19.

TEST PREPARATION

Study guides and other test preparation resources are available to help candidates prepare for employment tests. An interactive, Online Test Preparation System for taking practice tests may be accessed on the Department of Human Resources website at <http://hr.lacounty.gov/>. Please click on Job Info Center, then click on Employment Test Preparation. You can also access test preparation for the computerized portion of the test by going to http://www.shldirect.com/practice_tests.html. While the guides will help in preparing for the test, we advise you to review all related materials that you deem necessary.

TRANSFER OF SCORES

Applicants that have taken identical test part(s) for other exams within the last 12 months, will have their written test responses for the identical test part(s) automatically transferred to this examination.

This examination contains test parts that may be used in the future for new examinations. Your scores will be transferred to the new examination and may not be allowed to re-take any identical test parts for at least 12 months.

ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION:

The names of candidates receiving a passing score in the examination will be placed on the eligible list in the order of their score group for a period of twelve (12) months from the date the list is created.

No person may compete in this examination more than once every twelve (12) months.

VACANCY INFORMATION:

The eligible list resulting from this examination will be used to fill vacancies in the Department of Community and Senior Services.

AVAILABLE SHIFT: Any

APPLICATION AND FILING INFORMATION:

Applications must be filed online only. Applications submitted by U.S. Mail, Fax, or in person will not be accepted. Any required documents must be submitted within fifteen (15) calendar days from application submission.

Applications will be accepted starting October 21, 2015 at 8:00 am. Filing will be suspended on November 3, 2015 at 5:00 pm. We must receive your application by 5:00 pm, PST, on or before the last day of filing.

Apply online by clicking on the "Apply" tab for this posting. You can also track the status of your application using this web site. Fill out your application completely. The acceptance of your application depends on whether you have clearly shown that you meet the *SELECTION REQUIREMENTS*. Provide any relevant job experience in the spaces provided so we can evaluate your qualifications for the job. For each job held, give the name and address of your employer, your job title, beginning and ending dates, number of hours worked per week, description of work performed, and salary earned. If your application is incomplete, it will be rejected.

*In order to receive credit for any type of college degree, such as a Bachelor, Master, or Doctorate degree, you must include a legible copy of the official diploma, official transcripts, or official letter from the accredited institution which shows the area of specialization must be submitted within fifteen (15) calendar days from application submission.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

Please note that **ALL** information included in the application materials is subject to **VERIFICATION** at any point during the examination and hiring process, including after an appointment has been made. **FALSIFICATION** of any information may result in **DISQUALIFICATION** or **RESCISSION OF APPOINTMENT**. Utilizing **VERBIAGE** from Class Specification and Selection Requirements serving as your description of duties **WILL NOT** be sufficient to demonstrate that you meet the requirements. Doing so may result in an **INCOMPLETE APPLICATION** and you may be **DISQUALIFIED**.

ADA Coordinator Email: adarequests@hr.lacounty.gov

Teletype Phone: (800) 899-4099

Alternate Teletype Phone: (800) 897-0077

California Relay Services Phone: (800) 735-2922

Department Contact Name: Sarah Rivanis

Department Contact Phone: (213) 738-2129

Department Contact Email: srivanis@hr.lacounty.gov

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Your Responsibilities:

1. Completing Your Application:

- a. Before submission of the application, it is your responsibility to ensure that all information provided is correct and complete on the application. Incomplete applications cannot be accepted.
- b. Please list separately the PAYROLL TITLE for each job. Do not group your experience. Specify the beginning and ending dates for each job. If you are a County employee and have been promoted, do NOT list all of your time with the County under your present payroll title.
- c. Your Social Security Number must be included for record control purposes. Federal law requires that all employed persons have a Social Security Number.
- d. To receive APPROPRIATE CREDIT, include a copy of your diploma, transcript, certificate, or license as directed on the job posting.

2. Minimum or Selection Requirements are listed in the job posting.

- a. YOUR APPLICATION WILL BE ACCEPTED ONLY IF IT CLEARLY SHOWS YOU MEET THESE REQUIREMENTS. The information you give will determine your eligibility and is subject to verification at any time.
- b. You must be at least 16 years of age at the time of appointment unless other age limits are stated on the job posting. The Federal Age Discrimination in Employment Act (ADEA) of 1967, as amended, prohibits discrimination on the basis of age for any individual over age 40.
- c. Your experience may be paid or unpaid unless the job posting states otherwise. Experience is evaluated on the basis of a verifiable 40-hour week.

Social Security Act of 2004: Section 419 (c) of Public Law 108-203, the Social Security Protection Act of 2004, requires State and local government employers to disclose the effect of the Windfall Elimination Provision and the Government Pension Offset Provision to employees hired on or after January 1, 2005, in jobs not covered by Social Security. The County of Los Angeles does not participate in the Social Security System. All newly hired County of Los Angeles employees must sign a statement (Form SSA-1945) prior to the start of employment indicating that they are aware of a possible reduction in their future Social Security benefit entitlement. For more information on Social Security and about each provision, you may visit the website www.socialsecurity.gov, or call toll free 1-800-772-1213. Persons who are deaf or hard of hearing may call the TTY number 1-800-325-0778 or contact a local Social Security office.

Record of Convictions: As part of the selection process you may be required to complete and submit a Candidate Conviction History Questionnaire (CCHQ). PLEASE DO NOT SUBMIT THE CCHQ WITH YOUR APPLICATION, unless instructed to do so. A full disclosure of all convictions is required, when requested. Failure to disclose convictions will result in disqualification. Not all convictions constitute an automatic bar to employment. Factors such as your age at the time of the offense (s), and the recency of offense(s) will be taken into account, as well as the relationship between the offense(s) and the job(s) for which you apply. However, any applicant for County employment who has been convicted of workers' compensation fraud is automatically barred from employment with the County of Los Angeles (County Code Section 5.12.110). ANY CONVICTIONS OR COURT RECORDS WHICH ARE EXEMPTED BY A VALID COURT ORDER DO NOT HAVE TO BE INCLUDED.

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3. Application Deadline:

a. All job applications must be completed and submitted by the last day of the filing period and closing time indicated on the job posting. Job postings with an open continuous filing period are subject to closure without prior notice. It is to your advantage to file your application early and not wait until the last allowable date and time as you will not be able to apply once the filing period has closed.

b. Applications for positions designated "Apply in Person" must be filed in person at the address provided on the job posting.

4. Change of Name or Address:

To change personal information such as your name or address, log into your profile and make the necessary change. This can be done at any time.

5. Promotional Examinations:

a. Some of your experience may have been in a position in which such work is not typically performed. If such experience is permitted as indicated on the job posting, a signed Verification of Experience Letter (VOEL) signed by your department's Human Resources Office must be attached to your application unless otherwise stated on the job posting.

b. If indicated on the job posting, permanent employees who have COMPLETED THEIR INITIAL PROBATIONARY PERIOD AND HOLD A QUALIFYING PAYROLL TITLE may file for promotional examinations if they are within six months of meeting the experience requirements by the last day of filing or at the time of filing for open continuous exams.

6. Equal Employment Opportunity/Non-Discrimination Policy:

a. It is the policy of the County of Los Angeles to provide equal employment opportunity for all qualified persons, regardless of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, sexual orientation or disability.

b. If you require material in an ALTERNATE FORMAT or are an individual requesting REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION(S) in the examination process for a physical or mental disability, please CONTACT THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) COORDINATOR LISTED ON THE JOB POSTING. The provision of reasonable accommodation may be subject to verification of disability as allowable with State and Federal law. All disability-related information will remain confidential.

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NOTE: Your application is submitted using Secure Encryption to ensure the privacy of all information you transmit over the Internet.

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Benefit Information: Depending on the position, the successful candidate will enroll in a contributory defined benefit pension plan if the candidate is a "new member" of the County's defined benefit plan (LACERA) on or after January 1, 2013 (first employed by the County on or after December 1, 2012) - unless she or he established reciprocity with another public retirement system in which she or he was a member before January 1, 2013. It should be noted that County employees do not pay into Social Security, but do pay the Medical Hospital Insurance Tax portion of Social Security at a rate of 1.45%. The Los Angeles County Employees Retirement Association (LACERA) has reciprocal agreements with several public retirement systems in California.

For more information regarding convictions that are not subject to disclosure, please refer to the CCHQ from the link below:
http://file.lacounty.gov/dhr/CCHQ_2014.pdf

Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990: All positions are open to qualified men and women. Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, persons with disabilities who believe they need reasonable accommodation, or help in order to apply for a position, may contact the ADA/Personnel Services for Disabled Persons Coordinator. Hearing impaired applicants with telephone teletype equipment may leave messages by calling the teletype phone number on the job posting. The County will attempt to meet reasonable accommodation requests whenever possible.

Veteran's Credit: In all open competitive examinations, a veteran's credit of 10 percent of the total credits specified for such examinations will be added to the final passing grade of an honorably discharged veteran who served in the Armed Forces of the United States under any of the following conditions: During a declared war; -or- During the period April 28, 1952 through July 1, 1955; -or- For more than 180 consecutive days, other than for training, any part of which occurred after January 31, 1955, and before October 15, 1976; -or- During the Gulf War from August 2, 1990 through January 2, 1992; -or- For more than 180 consecutive days, other than for training, any part of which occurred during the period beginning September 11, 2001, and ending on August 31, 2010 the last day of Operation Iraqi Freedom; -or- In a campaign or expedition for which a campaign medal or expeditionary medal has been authorized and awarded. Any Armed Forces Expeditionary medal or campaign badge, including El Salvador, Lebanon, Grenada, Panama, Southwest Asia, Somalia, and Haiti qualifies for credit.

A campaign medal holder or Gulf War veteran who originally enlisted after September 7, 1980 (or began active duty on or after October 14, 1982, and has not previously completed 24 months of continuous active duty) must have served continuously for 24 months or the full period called or ordered to active duty.

This also applies to the spouse of such person who, while engaged in such service was wounded, disabled or crippled and thereby permanently prevented from engaging in any remunerative occupation, and also to the widow or widower of any such person who died or was killed while in such service. A DD214, Certificate of Discharge or Separation from Active Duty, or other official documents issued by the branch of service are required as verification of eligibility for Veterans preference. Applicants must submit the documentation for each open competitive exam to qualify for veteran's credit.

Employment Eligibility Information: Final appointment is contingent upon verification of U.S. citizenship or the right to work in the United States. Immigration law provides that all persons hired after November 6, 1986, are required to present original documents to the County, within three (3) business days of hiring, which show satisfactory proof of: 1) identity and 2) U.S. employment eligibility.

Los Angeles County Child Support Compliance Program: In an effort to improve compliance with court-ordered child, family and spousal support obligations, certain employment and identification information (i.e., name, address, Social Security number and date of hire) is regularly reported to the State Directory of New Hires which may assist in locating persons who owe these obligations. Family Code Section 17512 permits under certain circumstances for additional employment and identifying information to be requested. Applicants will not be disqualified from employment based on this information.

The California Fair Employment and Housing Act (Part 2.8 commencing with Section 12900 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code) and the Regulations of the Fair Employment and Housing Commission (California Code of Regulations, Title 2, Division 4, Sections 7285.0 through 8504) prohibits employment discrimination based on race or color; religion; national origin or ancestry, physical disability; mental disability or medical condition; marital status; sex or sexual orientation; age, with respect to persons over the age of 40; and pregnancy, childbirth, or related medical conditions.

Test Preparation: Study guides and other test preparation resources may be accessed through the Department of Human Resources website at: <http://hr.lacounty.gov>. Additional test preparation resources may be listed on the job posting.

Accreditation Information: Accredited institutions are those listed in the publications of regional, national or international accrediting agencies which are accepted by the Department of Human Resources. Publications such as American Universities and Colleges and International Handbook of Universities are acceptable references. Also acceptable, if appropriate, are degrees that have been evaluated and deemed to be equivalent to degrees from United States accredited institutions by an academic credential evaluation agency recognized by The National Association of Credential Evaluation Services or the Association of International Credential Evaluators, Inc. (AICE).

APPLICATIONS MAY BE FILED ONLINE AT:
<http://hr.lacounty.gov>

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EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT, COMMUNITY AND SENIOR SERVICES Supplemental Questionnaire

- * 1. The information you provide on this supplemental questionnaire will be evaluated and used to determine your eligibility to participate in the next phase of the examination process. Please be as specific as possible and include all information as requested. Comments such as "see resume or application" will not be considered as a response. Please note that all information is subject to verification at any time in the examination and hiring process. Falsification of any information may result in disqualification or dismissal. I understand the above information and instructions.
- Yes
 No
- * 2. Please select your highest level of completed education.
- High school diploma or equivalent
 Some college, training, or certifications
 Associate's degree
 Bachelor's degree
 Master's degree or above
- * 3. I understand that if I expect to qualify for this position with my education and work experience, I **must submit proof** of my education such as a legible copy of my official diploma, official transcripts, or official letter from the accredited institution which shows the area of specialization. Documents may be submitted either by 1) attaching directly to my application at the time of submission, or 2) emailing any outstanding required documents to srivanis@hr.lacounty.gov within fifteen (15) calendar days from application submission.
- Yes
 No
- * 4. Indicate the amount of experience you have in a responsible staff, advisory, or administrative capacity analyzing and making recommendations for the solution of problems of organization, procedure, program, budget, or personnel.
- Less than 2 years of experience
 2 to 5 years of experience
 6 or more years of experience
- * 5. Describe your experience in a responsible staff, advisory, or administrative capacity analyzing and making recommendations for the solution of problems of organization, procedure, program, budget, or personnel. If you do not possess this experience, type "No Related Experience."
- * 6. Indicate the amount of public relations and communications experience you have, which included the writing and placing of news and feature articles for the various communication media.
- No experience
 Less than 1 year of experience
 1 or more years of experience
- * 7. Describe your public relations and communications experience. If you do not possess this experience, type "No Related Experience."
- * 8. Describe your experience writing and placing news and feature articles for various communication media. If you do not possess this experience, type "No Related Experience."

* Required Question