

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

Title:

Community Development Planner
Central Pines Regional Council
Durham, NC / Hybrid

Who We Seek:

Are you a passionate and experienced individual looking for an exciting opportunity to make a significant impact on regional visioning, land use planning, and community development? Central Pines Regional Council is seeking a driven, innovative Community Development Planner to join our team. In this role, you will have the chance to support our organization's land use planning services and help lead the development and implementation of broadband planning and initiatives. If you are seeking a diverse position that allows you to work with rural, suburban, and urban communities, we invite you to apply and shape the future of our region.

Description of Work:

This role will include a dynamic combination of local planning assistance, community needs assessments, facilitation of diverse groups, and grant writing and administrative services. The selected individual will work directly with municipal and county governments to develop and implement land use plans, policies, and regulations, and manage the development and implementation of digital inclusion efforts on a local and regional scale. Activities will include:

- Collaborate with local governments, community organizations, and stakeholders to ensure broad participation and engagement in local and regional digital inclusion planning processes and plan development.
- Lead steering committee meetings, engagement sessions, and forums to gather input and feedback from community members regarding their broadband infrastructure and digital inclusion needs.
- Stay updated on emerging trends, best practices, and regulatory changes related to land-use planning, incorporating innovative approaches into the organization's work.
- Provide technical assistance and support to local governments in navigating land use issues and developing and administering local plans and regulations.
- Attend planning board and council/commissioner meetings as requested.
- Work with communities to determine their infrastructure and programmatic needs and assist with strategic project development.
- Seek relevant funding opportunities and assist with grant writing and review.

This position will require some regional travel to attend meetings and perform work in other locations around the CPRC region.

Education & Experience:

A bachelor's degree in planning, public administration, geography, public policy, or a related field is desired, or experience working in a municipal, county or state government setting.

The candidate must have strong communication skills, both verbally and written, to thrive in this position.

Starting Salary & Benefits:

Hiring range: \$54,200 - \$56,900

*This position will start no earlier than July 1, 2024, and is dependent on FY24-25 budget approval from our Board of Delegates. This position is eligible for a 5% increase after serving a 6-month probation period.

Benefits: CPRC offers a generous benefits package including paid vacation and sick leave; NC Local Government Employees' Retirement System; 5% 401(k) employer contribution; 100% employer-paid health, dental, vision and life insurance; health spending account, flexible spending account for child/dependent care expenses, hybrid and flexible work schedules.

Our organization:

CPRC is a member-driven organization serving as a leading resource to connect communities and enhance their strategic priority outcomes through regional policy, collaboration, and technical assistance at the local, regional, and state level. See the kind of work we do and learn read more about CPRC's vision, mission, organizational principles, core values, and strategic focus areas at www.centralpinesnc.gov.

How to Apply:

Send completed application package (cover letter and resume) by email to employment@centralpinesnc.gov with the subject Community Development Planner.

Incomplete applications will not be considered. Position is open until filled; initial review of applications begins June 3, 2024.

All employment offers will be within the stated hiring range.

CPRC is an Equal Opportunity Employer and designated Best Workplace for Commuters.