General Statement of Duties

Performs full performance technical work maintaining employee time reporting and payroll accounting records, which includes: posting data to payroll system, balancing and reconciling payroll records, troubleshooting and resolving issues, and explaining and interpreting payroll rules, regulations, policies, and procedures.

Distinguishing Characteristics

The Payroll Associate is distinguished from the Senior Payroll Associate, which performs full performance professional work reviewing, auditing, approving, and maintaining employee time reports and payroll accounting records and oversees and monitors a variety of payroll adjustments and changes to employee payroll data. The Payroll Associate is also distinguished from the Lead Payroll Associate, which performs permanently assigned lead work over professional payroll associates and assists with developing and enforcing payroll policies and procedures and implementing and maintaining time and attendance systems used within the city. Finally, the Payroll Associate is distinguished from the Payroll Supervisor, which performs professional and supervisory work over professional and technical payroll staff engaged in performing a variety of payroll activities.

Guidelines, Difficulty and Decision-Making Level

Guidelines are generally numerous, well established and directly applicable to the work assignment. Work assignment and desired results are explained by general oral or written instructions.

Duties assigned are generally repetitive and restricted in scope but may be of substantial intricacy. Employee primarily applies standardized practices.

Decisions or recommendations on non-standardized situations are limited to relating organizational policies to specific cases. Problems that are not covered by guidelines or are without precedent are taken up with the supervisor.

Level of Supervision Received & Quality Review

Under normal supervision, within a standardized work situation, the employee performs duties common to the line of work without close supervision or detailed instruction. Work product is subject to continual review.

Interpersonal Communication & Purpose

Contacts with the public or employees where explanatory or interpretive information is exchanged, defended, gathered and discretion and judgment are required within the parameters of the job function.

Level of Supervision Exercised

None

Essential Duties

Prepares, processes, and audits employee time reports (both time sheets and e-time data) in accordance with internal payroll rules and federal, state, and local regulations.

Posts pay, tax, and benefit changes (i.e. deferred compensation, W-4, and direct deposit requests) to payroll system.
Balances and reconciles employee time reporting and payroll accounting records with a variety of agency, city, and other processing requirements.

Consults with employees and/or supervisors to explain and interpret payroll rules, regulations, policies and procedures.

Provides assistance to supervisors and/or managers by running queries and providing reports detailing labor-related data (i.e. time off and overtime).

Troubleshoots and resolves payroll problems, which may include analyzing problems with time and attendance data and making corrections.

Researches variances in the application of payroll policies and procedures and corrects any errors and/or oversights.

Researches, compiles, and analyzes statistical reports, audits, and other data; formulates reports and/or records both manually and utilizing computer programs as assigned.

Performs other related duties as assigned or requested.

Any one position may not include all of the duties listed. However, the allocation of positions will be determined by the amount of time spent in performing the essential duties listed above.

### Competencies

**Arithmetic** - Performs computations such as addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division correctly using whole numbers, fractions, decimals, and percentages.

**Attention to Detail** - Is thorough when performing work and conscientious about attending to detail.

**Customer Service** - Interacts with customers in a friendly and professional manner, works to resolve issues quickly and effectively, and is knowledgeable about products and services.

**Information Management** - Identifies a need for and knows where or how to gather information; organizes and maintains information or information management systems.

**Problem Solving** - Identifies problems; determines accuracy and relevance of information; uses sound judgment to generate and evaluate alternatives, and to make recommendations.

### Knowledge & Skills

Knowledge of payroll sufficient enough to explain and interpret policies, procedures, rules, and regulations.

Knowledge of Enterprise Resource Planning applications and systems sufficient enough to process payroll.

Knowledge of time and attendance systems sufficient enough to audit the entry of employee time reporting.

### Education Requirement

Graduation from high school or the possession of a GED, HiSET or TASC Certificate.

### Experience Requirement

Three (3) years of clerical/technical experience performing a variety of payroll processing activities.
**Education & Experience Equivalency**

A combination of appropriate education and experience may be substituted for the minimum education and experience requirements.

**Licensure & Certification**

By position, requires a valid Driver’s License at the time of application.

Licenses and certifications must be kept current as a condition of employment.

**Working Environment**

For DPL Positions Specifically:

Atmospheric Conditions: conditions that affect the skin, eyes or respiratory system.
Handles absentee replacement on short notice.
Handles emergency or crisis situations.
Occasional pressure due to multiple calls and inquiries.
Subject to pressure for multiple calls, inquiries, and interruptions.

**Level of Physical Demand**

For DPL Positions Specifically:

1-Sedentary (0-10 lbs.) - 2-Light (10-20 lbs.)

**Physical Demands**

For DPL Positions Specifically:

(Physical Demands are a general guide and specific positions will vary based on working conditions, locations, and agency/department needs.):

Sitting: Remaining in a stationary position.
Reaching: Extending the hands, arms, or other device in any direction.
Handling: Seizing, holding, grasping, through use of hands, fingers, or other means).
Fingering: Picking and pinching, through use of fingers or otherwise.
Talking: Communicating ideas or exchanging information.
Hearing: Perceiving and comprehending the nature and direction of sounds.
Repetitive Motions: Making frequent or continuous movements.
Eye/Hand/Foot Coordination: Performing work through using two or more body parts or other devices.
Vision Near Acuity: Ability to perceive or detect objects at 20 inches or less.
Vision Far Acuity: Ability to perceive or detect objects clearly at 20 feet or more.
Depth Perception: Ability to judge distances and space relationships.
Lifting: By Position, may move objects up to 10 pounds, or 10-20 pounds from one level to another.

**Background Check Requirement**

Criminal Check
Employment Verification
By position, Motor Vehicle Record

**Assessment Requirement**

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