

Franklin County seeks FT Director of Economic Development

Franklin County, in Rocky Mount VA is accepting applications for a Director of Economic Development. Franklin County, known for its scenic beauty and diverse economy, is located between Philpott and Smith Mountain Lakes along the Blue Ridge Mountains and is approximately 10 miles south of Roanoke, VA. The essential function of this key position within the organization is to perform and manage the tasks and responsibilities necessary to successfully implement the County's Economic Development program.

The position is responsible for encouraging taxable business investment and the creation of new job opportunities within the community. The position formulates long range goals for the organization; develops policy and position papers for decision by the chief administrative officer and/or elected officials. Position is responsible for the development, operation, evaluation, and delivery of economic development services and oversees the County's tourism staff.

The successful candidate will have extensive knowledge of economic development principles and programs, including business recruitment, retention and expansion; general knowledge of tourism programs and development; extensive knowledge of local, state, and federal economic development programs and incentives; general knowledge of workforce development programs and resources; strong analytical and planning skills; and project management, budgeting and supervisory skills. Must have excellent communication skills with the ability to utilize office software and email including the ability to provide and implement both efficient and effective customer service.

Combination and experience equivalent to graduation from a four-year college or university with a Bachelor's Degree in Public Administration, Business Administration, or a closely related field; Master's degree preferred; and five years of local/regional/state government management experience. Graduation and certification from professional programs in economic development is desirable.

Annual <u>minimum</u> salary of \$73,880 is Negotiable DOQE. Application & job description available at the Franklin County Government Center, 1255 Franklin Street, Suite #109, Rocky Mount. Interested applicants can apply online at <u>www.franklincountyva.gov</u>. First Review Date 12/07/2020. Open Until Filled EOE/AA