

Location: Chesapeake, VA - Hampton Roads (Southeastern Virginia)

Classification: Full-time, 40 hours per week; Exempt FLSA status

Salary: Starting salary range of \$52,000-\$60,000 annually, DOE/DOQ; Full Benefits

Closing Date: September 15, 2022; resumes reviewed on an ongoing basis

THE POSITION

The Transportation/GIS Planner position will support a broad range of transportation-related planning and analysis using principles of Geographic Information Systems (GIS), equity/multimodal/scenario planning, and data science. As part of the long-range transportation planning team, this position will help develop equitable multimodal transportation solutions for the region through a collaborative stakeholder process.

Candidates should be highly motivated problem-solvers with strong critical thinking and time management skills. This position requires the ability to collaborate well with diverse stakeholders. Excellent communication skills are needed, including the ability to clearly convey and visualize data to technical and non-technical audiences through engaging reports and presentations.

THE CANDIDATE

The ideal candidate will have:

- Combined background/experience in planning and GIS. Demonstrated skills in analyzing/organizing/visualizing geospatial data highly desired. Experience in transportation, equity, sustainability, or scenario planning a plus.
- Strong critical thinking and problem-solving skills with excellent attention to detail.
- Strong data analysis skills, including ability to apply research methodologies, collect and interpret data, and summarize/visualize findings. Familiarity with Python, R, SQL, or other scripting languages a plus.
- Ability to work effectively as part of a team and thrive independently with general instructions on multiple projects simultaneously, successfully prioritizing tasks when necessary. Excellent time management and organizational skills a must.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills with ability to interact effectively with planning professionals, support staff, and the public.
- Strong writing and presentation skills with ability to clearly communicate technical data into easy to understand and engaging reports, maps, and presentations.

Additional qualifications desired, but not required:

- Experience using Adobe products, Canva, or other related programs to produce engaging materials.
- Experience using CommunityViz, CUBE, Tableau, or other data science/statistical software.
- Knowledge of metropolitan planning organization process and/or federal or state transportation requirements. Experience or interest in multimodal transportation planning a plus.

Qualified applicants must be authorized to work in the U.S. without employer sponsorship.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE

- Master's degree in Planning, Geography, Geographic Information Systems, or other related fields.
- Bachelor's degree with minimum of 2 years progressively responsible experience will be considered in lieu of a Master's degree.
- Extra consideration to candidates with demonstrated knowledge in GIS, multimodal transportation, scenario planning, data science, or travel demand modeling.
- Any combination of education and experience that would provide the applicant with the desired skills, knowledge, and ability to perform the job.



BENEFITS

The HRTPO provides a complete compensation package of benefits for full-time employees including:

- Medical, Dental, and Vision
- Life Insurance
- Virginia Retirement System with Associated Benefits
- Paid Time Off
- Paid Holidays
- Family Medical, Bereavement, and Civil Leave
- Flexible Work Schedules
- Flexible Spending Accounts
- Professional Development Opportunities

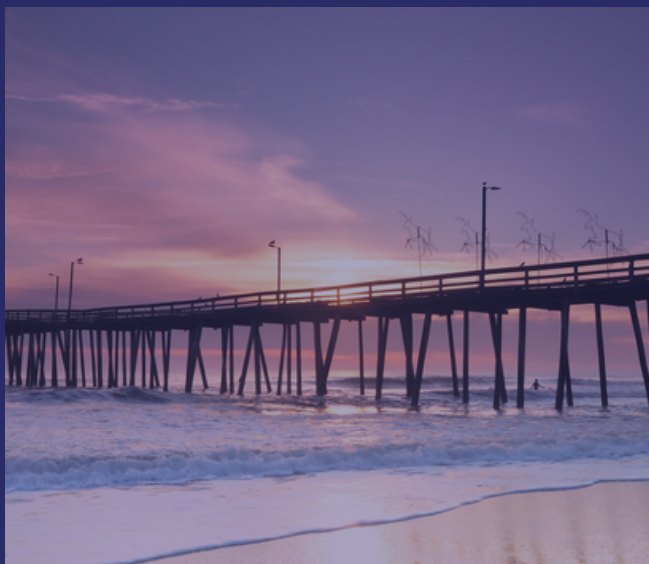
TO APPLY

Interested applicants should submit a cover letter and resume. Applicants should also be prepared to provide examples of work (e.g., reports, maps, presentations) along with professional references prior to interview, if requested.

Completed materials can be submitted via:

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Mail: Kelli E. Arledge
Deputy Executive Director
HRPDC/HRTPO
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Chesapeake, VA 23320

The HRTPO is an Equal Opportunity Employer.



ABOUT THE HRTPO

Federal regulations require that urbanized areas throughout the United States have a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) to conduct a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process. The Hampton Roads Transportation Planning Organization (HRTPO) is the MPO for the Hampton Roads region, serving over 1.7 million people in 15 jurisdictions. In addition to being responsible for regional transportation planning and programming, the HRTPO serves as a resource of technical expertise to its member local governments. For more information on the HRTPO, visit www.hrtpo.org.

ABOUT HAMPTON ROADS

Hampton Roads is home to about 1.7 million people and is in southeastern Virginia where the Atlantic Ocean meets the Chesapeake Bay. With one of the largest natural harbors in the world, the region is an ideal location for tourism, trade, and the military. The region also has numerous waterways such as the Intercoastal Waterway and the James, York, Nansemond, and Elizabeth Rivers. Facilities located along riverbanks offer a variety of outdoor activities. Hampton Roads is also rich in historic and cultural treasures, celebrating heritage festivals throughout the year. History, music, drama, and art can be found in museums and theaters throughout the area. The Virginia Symphony, Virginia Ballet, Virginia Opera, and the Commonwealth Theatre Company call Norfolk home. The City of Virginia Beach is the top vacation destination in Virginia, known for miles of beautiful public beaches. Localities on the Peninsula also offer many activities and historic destinations, including Busch Gardens, Colonial Williamsburg, Jamestown, and Yorktown. Rural areas across Hampton Roads offer many tranquil and picturesque settings. There are also hundreds of parks, campgrounds, multiuse trails, and concert venues featuring national touring acts and well-known artists throughout the region.

