

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY GOVERNMENT, VIRGINIA
POSITION DESCRIPTION**

TITLE: LIBRARY ASSISTANT

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The essential function of the position within the organization is to facilitate the public's access to library services and materials. The position is responsible for assisting the public with library materials, services, and equipment. The position works under general supervision according to some procedures; decides how and when to complete tasks.

PRIMARY DUTIES: *This list represents the essential tasks performed by the position. Employees may be assigned additional duties by management as required.*

Staffs the circulation desk checking books in and out, receiving fine money, addressing mistakes on patron's records, and providing any other library services.

Circulates library materials.

Helps patrons locate information and items and answers reference questions by using Internet, databases and reference materials.

Places items on hold for public.

Shelves materials and books.

Assists patrons with computer sign-up and computer problems.

DATA RESPONSIBILITY: *Data refers to information, knowledge, and conceptions obtained by observation, investigation, interpretation, visualization, and mental creation. Data are intangible and include numbers, words, symbols, ideas, concepts, and oral verbalizations.*

Collects, classifies, and formats data or information.

PEOPLE RESPONSIBILITY: *People refers to individuals who have contact with or are influenced by the position.*

Attends to the needs or requests of people and exchanges information with them.

INVOLVEMENT WITH THINGS: *Things refers to inanimate objects such as substances, materials, machines, tools, equipment, work aids, or products. A thing is tangible and has shape, form, and other physical characteristics.*

Handles library equipment or work aids involving moderate latitude for judgment regarding attainment of standard or in selecting appropriate items.

ASSETS RESPONSIBILITY: *Assets responsibility refers to the responsibility for achieving economies or preventing loss within the organization.*

Requires some responsibility for achieving minor economies and/or preventing minor losses through the handling of or accounting for materials, supplies, or small amounts of money.

SAFETY OF OTHERS: *Safety of others refers to the responsibility for other people's safety, either inherent in the job or to assure the safety of the general public.*

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Requires some responsibility for safety and health of others and/or for occasional enforcement of the standards of public safety or health.

MATHEMATICAL REQUIREMENTS: *Mathematics deals with quantities, magnitudes, and forms and their relationships and attributes by the use of numbers and symbols.*

Uses addition and subtraction such as making change.

COMMUNICATIONS REQUIREMENTS: *Communications involves the ability to read, write, and speak.*

Reads technical instructions, charts, and/or procedures manuals; composes routine reports and completes job forms; speaks compound sentences using standard grammar.

COMPLEXITY OF WORK: *Complexity of work addresses the analysis, initiative, ingenuity, creativity, and concentration required by the position and the presence of any unusual pressures.*

Performs skilled work involving rules/systems with almost constant problem solving; requires normal attention with short periods of concentration for accurate results and occasional exposure to unusual pressure.

IMPACT OF DECISIONS: *Impact of decisions refers to consequences such as damage to property, loss of data or property, exposure of the organization to legal liability, or injury or death to individuals.*

Makes decisions with moderate impact - affects those in work unit.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS

EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS: *Education requirements refers to job specific training and education required for entry into the position.*

Requires associate's degree or the equivalent of two years of college or vocational school education.

LICENSES, CERTIFICATIONS, AND REGISTRATIONS REQUIRED: *Licenses, certifications, and registrations refers to professional, state, or federal licenses, certifications, or registrations required to enter the position.*

Requires none.

EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS: *Experience refers to the amount of work experience that is required for entry into the position that would result in reasonable expectation that the person can perform the tasks required by the position.*

Requires three months of related experience.

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES REQUIREMENTS

PHYSICAL DEMANDS: *Physical demands refers to the requirements for physical exertion and coordination of limb and body movement.*

Requires light to medium work involving standing or walking most of the time, exerting up to 20 pounds of force on a regular basis, and considerable skill, adeptness, and speed in the use of the fingers, hands, or limbs in tasks involving close tolerances.

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UNAVOIDABLE HAZARDS: *Unavoidable hazards refers to unusual conditions in the work environment that may cause illness or injury.*

The position is no unusual environmental hazards except for dust and pollen.

SENSORY (ADA) REQUIREMENTS: *Sensory requirements refers to hearing, sight, touch, taste, and smell necessary to perform the tasks required by the position efficiently.*

The position requires normal visual acuity and field of vision, hearing, and speaking.

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AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT COMPLIANCE

The Montgomery County Government of Virginia is an Equal Opportunity Employer. ADA requires the County to provide adequate accommodations to qualified persons with disabilities. Prospective and current employees are encouraged to discuss ADA accommodations with management.