# JOB DESCRIPTION LIBRARY CLERK

#### **GENERAL SUMMARY**

To perform a wide variety of responsible clerical work and patron assistance at the circulation desk; to be primarily responsible for maintaining the organization of materials; and to respond to or direct library patron inquiries.

#### **SUPERVISION**

General supervision is provided by the Library Director.

## **Duties and Responsibilities**

- 1. Arrange and shelve libraries books, A/V materials and magazines. Shift books when shelves get crowded. Check shelves to see that all books are correctly shelved according to title, author and number.
- 2. Assist library patrons at circulation desk; check in or check out library material; issue library cards and accept cash for fines and services. Follow procedures in the MORE Daily Operations manual.
- 3. Process requests for library cards including accepting applications, verifying patron information, and preparing library cards.
- 4. Correctly sort, scan and prepare incoming and outgoing courier bins.
- 5. Answer the telephone; answer questions appropriate to skill level; relay messages to appropriate individuals.
- 6. Perform various procedures prior to closing the library; turning off lights, checking exit doors, straightening chairs, picking up materials from tables, etc.
- 7. Operate standard library equipment such as audio-visual equipment, copiers, microform machines, computers and calculators.
- 8. Assist patrons with routine location questions referring patrons to other staff members as needed and instruct patrons in the use of library equipment and online catalog.
- 9. Prepare library materials for circulation (book jacket or audio-visual case, labels, stamps, etc.)
- 10. Mend library materials
- 11. Perform various housekeeping tasks such as dusting shelves, straightening library appearance, watering plants, vacuuming, cleaning restrooms and other duties as assigned.
- 12. Other duties as assigned by Library Director.

### JOB REQUIREMENTS

- Ability to operate a computer
- Ability to operate equipment typically encountered in library services
- Basic knowledge of library terminology, the Dewey decimal classification system; procedures and equipment; and of simple mathematics and English
- Ability to understand and follow written and oral directions
- Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with co-workers and the public
- Ability to conduct oneself with tact and courtesy
- Ability to repeatedly lift 40-45 lbs, use stairs and be physically able to perform the essential functions of the job with or without reasonable accommodation
- Ability to receive coin and currency and make correct change

- Ability to explain library policies and procedures
- Ability to communicate clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing
- Ability to troubleshoot computer hardware and software
- Successful completion of a six month probationary period

MINIMUM JOB REQUIREMENTS – EDUCATION High School Diploma or GED