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| Job Title        | Homeless Engagement Coordinator   |
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| Employer/ Agency | Dallas Public Library   |
| Job Description  | The Homeless Engagement Coordinator position works directly under the Adult<br>Services Administrator to determine services to be provided to visitors<br>experiencing homelessness and to implement a plan of action to execute them<br>successfully. Work is assigned based on library initiatives and community needs.<br>The position oversees the Homeless Engagement Initiative and expands and<br>improves services offered through this initiative. The position is responsible for<br>coordinating and developing staff and volunteer training and programs. |
|                  | <ul> <li>Essential Functions</li> <li>Coordinates and implements services to patrons experiencing homelessness at the Dallas Public Library.</li> <li>Researches and communicates best practices in library services to the poor and individuals experiencing homelessness</li> </ul>   |
|                  | <ul> <li>Maintains and develops close working relationships with community organizations that provide homelessness relief services.</li> <li>Coordinates with Central Library managers and staff to maintain a safe, welcoming environment for all.</li> <li>Schedules and presents regular training in de-escalation, trauma-informed care, and other subjects related to homelessness.</li> </ul>   |
|                  | <ul> <li>Plans and coordinates the Backpack Challenge and Community Forum.</li> <li>Regular, reliable and punctual attendance is an essential function of the job.</li> <li>Performs related work as assigned</li> </ul>  |
|                  | <ul> <li>Knowledge, Skills &amp; Abilities</li> <li>Knowledge of best practices in serving vulnerable populations including these current populations including</li> </ul>  |
|                  | <ul> <li>those experiencing homelessness</li> <li>Ability to work under limited direction and to take initiative</li> <li>Ability to train and supervise staff and volunteers</li> </ul>  |
|                  | <ul> <li>Ability to establish short and long term goals for the program</li> <li>Attention to detail and ability to carefully track statistics and outcomes</li> <li>Ability to communicate effectively, at all levels, both orally and in writing</li> </ul>   |
| Qualifications   | Bachelor's degree (social work, psychology or sociology preferred) plus two years'<br>experience in one or more of the following areas: social work, mental health<br>services, libraries, and/or non-profits. Effective oral and written communication<br>skills plus MSOffice or similar software skills are required. A six-year<br>combination of specified education and experience will qualify.  |
| Salary/Hours     | Monday-Friday 8:30 – 5:00   |
| Employer/Agency  | Dallas Public Library   |

| Address            | 1515 Young Street                            |
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| City, State, Zip   | Dallas, TX 75201                             |
| Contact Person     | Heather Lowe                                 |
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| Application Method | Must apply online at: http://bit.ly/2osw6rW  |
| Opening Date       | Accepting applications 4/10/2017 – 4/24/2017 |

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