

Worcester County Job Opportunities

DEPARTMENT: WORCESTER COUNTY JAIL
JOB TITLE: CORRECTIONAL OFFICER TRAINEE
GRADE/SALARY: GRADE 17SHIFT/STEP 1- \$43,701 ANNUALLY/\$21.01 HOURLY
***3:45PM– MIDNIGHT OR 11:45PM-8:00AM SHIFT**
APPLICATION DEADLINE: UNTIL FILLED

JOB SUMMARY: This individual is responsible for supervising inmate population, their movements and following the policies and procedures to ensure security, custody, and public safety for the Worcester County Jail. This individual will report to the Security and Custody Supervisor, but will be under the direct leadership of the Warden.

MARYLAND STATE RETIREMENT: This position will automatically participate in the Maryland State Retirement System. (CORS) Membership is mandatory for employees that work over 500 budgeted hours in the fiscal year. As a member, 5% of your budgeted annual salary will be calculated, divided by 26 and deducted from your biweekly paycheck and sent to your account at Maryland State Retirement System.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:

- Drug and Alcohol Testing
- This position is considered essential personnel and is subject to mandatory overtime as needed
- Subject to emergency call-back with little or no notice as needed
- Successfully pass pre-employment background check, including fingerprinting, motor vehicle history, work history, and references
- Successfully pass pre-employment physical fitness assessment; physical examination, and psychological testing
- Must be able to work holidays
- The schedule is 5 days on and 2 days off and then 5 days on and 3 days off

ESSENTIAL JOB DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Follows policies and procedures as outlined in the manual for the Worcester County Jail.
- Provides security and welfare for the inmate population.
- Prepares required reports in an accurate and timely manner, and disseminate to proper supervising channels.
- Observes inmates to detect or prevent disturbances.
- Escorts inmates throughout the Jail.
- Processes inmates into the Jail, accounting for personal property and issuing Jail clothing.
- Administers medication as prescribed by the medical staff.
- Patrols assigned area regularly, checking locks, doors, security lights, etc.
- Ensures the operation of the control center as assigned.
- Logs and delivers incoming mail.
- Supervises trustees in the delivery of meals to the inmate population, and maintains records of the same.
- Assisting and offers guidance to inmates concerning adjustments to the institutions.
- Controls contraband in the institution through personnel and inmate housing unit searches.
- Regulates visitors in the Jail.
- Monitors inmate recreation.
- Occasional shift supervision functions as assigned by the command staff.
- Helps in counseling inmates and handling of personal problems.
- Adhere to the Worcester County Government Personnel Rules & Regulations.
- Perform other related duties as assigned.

QUALIFICATIONS AND SKILLS:

- Must possess a High School Diploma or GED equivalent.
- Must be certified by the Maryland Commission of Corrections within 12 months of employment.
- Valid driver's license and driving record of less than 4 points (MD).
- Must be 21 years of age.
- Ability to follow verbal and written instructions; keep records and logs; complete written forms; and to communicate effectively with the public and coworkers. Ability to apply acquired knowledge to increasingly varied and complex tasks.

KNOWN HAZARDS:

(Rarely (<5% of the time), Occasional (5-25% of the time), Frequent (25-75% of the time); Constant (<75% of the time)

Frequent Exposure: Standing and walking for long periods. Exposure to inmates with physical, mental and emotional limitations including contagious diseases and loss of control of bodily functions. Occasional: Sitting, running, bending, kneeling stretching and reaching. Rare: A high level of physical exertion is required to lift or restrain inmates. Other: A generally hostile environment is created by inmates using obscene language, gestures and behavior. Officers are required to perform body searches of prisoners including unclothed searches.