

LTE Assistant/Associate Planner Position

DESCRIPTION: The person filling this position will be responsible for supporting a range of planning activities, working with the community development, transportation, and economic development program managers.

- *Community Development* - assist local governments in developing comprehensive plans for cities, villages, towns and counties.
- *Transportation* - develop 'Safe Routes to School (SR2S)' plans with participating community(ies), pending award of WisDOT grant funds; assist with passenger transit planning; support staffing freight rail transit commissions; and other projects.
- *Economic Development* - as appropriate.
- *Other* - create or modify development codes and ordinances; participate in a team to create and update region-wide or community-specific development plans and technical studies; and prepare census data, statistics, maps and other implementation tools. Additional duties might include grant writing and publications. Experience in public speaking or running a public meeting AND familiarity with Safe Routes to School (SR2S) planning would be particularly helpful for potential candidates.

QUALIFICATIONS: Applicants for this position will be judged on the basis of their training/education, experience, and overall abilities and passion to perform the necessary functions of the job. Successful candidate for such positions usually possess a Masters degree in urban and regional planning, or closely related field, or a Bachelors degree in urban and regional planning or a closely related field plus a minimum of two years relevant planning experience. Candidates will need excellent communications, research and statistical analysis and interpersonal skills. An independent work ethic is essential, as is an ability to work in a team setting.

AVAILABILITY: This position is a limited-time position based on the length of the projects. In this case, the projects are expected take 12-18 months to complete; however; additional contracts are expected.

COMPENSATION: SWWRPC offers a competitive salary and benefits package. Salary: \$32,700 - \$42,500, D.O.E.

ORGANIZATION: The Southwestern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (SWWRPC), an award-winning and nationally recognized planning organization, is seeking an Assistant/Associate Planner to work on immediate and future planning projects. SWWRPC is an area-wide planning and development agency. Commission offices are located on the campus of the University of Wisconsin-Platteville. The organization is responsible for assisting the counties of Grant, Green, Iowa, Lafayette and Richland with their economic development, community development, and transportation planning needs. The commission is staffed by highly- skilled, team-oriented persons with diverse professional backgrounds.

LOCATION: Platteville is located 60 miles southwest of Madison, Wisconsin with a population of approximately 10,000. The city, nestled among rolling hills and surrounded by beautiful farm country, is home to the University of Wisconsin-Platteville. Platteville offers extensive recreation and arts programs, ranging from soccer to museums, art galleries to flag football, and dozens of activities in between. The region is particularly well known for its excellent biking and outdoor opportunities. The University presents numerous artistic and athletic endeavors for the public's enjoyment, often for free or at prices far less than in larger cities.

Those interested should submit a cover letter, resume and completed SWWRPC Application (available at www.swwrpc.org) to:

**Human Resources
SWWRPC
1 University Plaza
719 Pioneer Tower
Platteville, WI 53818.**



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