Employment Opportunity

PLANNER ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING

Dynamic and motivated individual sought for Planner position with the Berkshire Regional Planning Commission (BRPC), a regional planning agency serving Berkshire County in Western Massachusetts. This position is directed toward assisting communities, conservation organizations, and local committees to create a more sustainable and resilient Berkshire region. This position will be involved with various energy, environmental and sustainability planning activities. The selected candidate will be responsible for providing support to a wide range of environmental and sustainability planning activities at local and regional levels. Primary focus areas are reducing energy use, increasing clean efficient energy use, identifying renewable energy opportunities, identifying and addressing climate change impacts and natural hazards, and protecting the natural environment.

Day-to-day work involves researching and analyzing energy, environmental and socio-economic information/data, generating, writing and producing plans and other technical documents, and interacting with the public. Employees are expected to exercise a degree of independent judgment and initiative in performing duties.

As a regional planning agency, BRPC prepares regional and community plans and works to implement them. BRPC also provides direct technical assistance to its 32 member municipalities with economic, housing, and community development issues and projects.

The successful candidate must demonstrate a high-level basic planning skillset, strong analytic and writing capabilities, ability to complete assignments successfully, and strong ability to work collaboratively with a wide range of people. A strong background in computer software applications is required, especially with the MS Office platform.

Minimum requirements: Master's degree in planning, environmental science, sustainability, or closely related field; or Bachelor's degree with degree/coursework in planning-related subjects and two years of full-time experience in environmental planning. Experience related to energy efficiency and or renewable energy projects is a plus. Candidate must have a valid driver's license and access to a private vehicle.

The starting salary range for a Planner is $49,894 – $56,475 with a very attractive benefits package. Minimum work week is 35 hours per week with flex time available.

Submit the following items to info@berkshireplanning.org by e-mail only: cover letter, resume, and a two page writing sample. Please include the phrase Energy & Environmental Planner in the subject line. (Please limit your writing submission to no longer than two pages, even if it needs to be an excerpt.) No telephone calls. Position available effective May 20, 2022. A position description and information about BRPC are available at https://berkshireplanning.org/about/employment-internship-opportunities/. EOE/Smoke- and Drug-free Workplace. 1 Fenn Street, Suite 201, Pittsfield, MA 01201.