

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT FOR DIRECTOR OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The County of Bates in partnership with the City of Butler is currently seeking candidates for the Director of Economic Development position.

The Director of Economic Development will be a strong committed leader that can represent the County and the City with integrity and honesty, and will work collaboratively with local, city, county, state and federal stakeholders to affect sustained long-term economic growth and will also be responsible for leveraging the County of Bates and the City of Butler's position as a top economic engine to support and partner with all stakeholders to attract, retain and expand economic interests in the area.

Some of the Job Duties and Skills required of the Economic Developer are:

- Actively promotes the County of Bates and the City of Butler at the state, national, and international levels, particularly to companies in advanced manufacturing, agriculture, distribution, transportation, and technology.
- Investigates, recommends and engages in outreach, networking, educational, sponsorship and other activities to increase economic vibrancy in and around the County and City.
- Develops strong relationships with civic, local, state and regional economic development organizations.
- Develops strategic recommendations for the County and City to pursue economic development opportunities.
- Serves as a key contributor to the Economic Development marketing plan.
- Must have strong research and data analytical skills, and the ability to quickly understand and synthesize detailed economic information.
- Must be capable of effectively managing numerous diverse projects and priorities simultaneously.
- Must be capable of working independently without extensive direction or oversight.
- Strong knowledge related to all aspects of economic development highly preferred.
- Strong knowledge of local, regional, state and federal economic development policies highly preferred.

SELECTION PROCEDURE:

Starting minimum salary is \$36,000 or higher Depending On Qualifications with excellent retirement and benefits. Permanent residence within Bates County preferred. If interested in this opportunity, please submit a **cover letter** and a **resume** with application reflecting scope of current/most recent organization and responsibilities to the contact listed below. Final filing deadline is March 25, 2019.

If an accommodation is required because of a disability in order to participate in any phase of the application/selection process, please submit request in writing when submitting application or call the number below.

Contact the Bates County Commissioners at batescountycommissioners@gmail.com

By phone on Monday's or Wednesday's at 660-679-3371.

The County of Bates is an Equal Opportunity Employer.