

2023-24 Texas Public Health Fellowship



Texas Department of State Health Services

Fellowship Description: Retail Foods & Sanitation, Environmental Protection Specialist
Fellowship ID#: 2023018

Fellowship Details

Host Site Organization Name: Department of State Health Services, Regional & Local Health Operations

Host Site Division/Program: Retail Foods & Sanitation

Fellowship Name/Title: Environmental Protection Fellowship

Host Site/Fellowship Location: 112 Joe Carper Drive, Uvalde, TX 78801

Host Site Workplace Setting: Combination of onsite and virtual

Primary Fellowship Topic: Environmental Health Sciences

Secondary Fellowship Topic: None

Sub Disciplines:

Rural Communities
Public Health Law

Public Health Skill Areas:

Communication
Cultural Competency
Public Health Sciences

Fellowship Overview and Salary

Annual Salary	\$40,000	Percentage of Travel	60%	Benefits eligible?	Yes
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Mission of Host Site: To protect the public health through the efficient operation of a comprehensive, progressive retail food protection program focusing on education, training, and oversight, which will ultimately reduce the potential for food borne illness in Texas.

Fellowship Overview: Under the direction of the Sanitarian III, conducts food service and public health sanitation inspections. Inspects routine inspections of medium and low risk permitted and non-permitted establishments such as foodservice establishments and public environmental facilities that operate institutional sanitation, recreational sanitation or public sanitation type facilities. Conducts public health sanitation inspections for compliance with regulations for youth camps and field sanitation. Conducts activities utilizing the Texas Food Establishment Rules (TFER) and other applicable Texas Health and Safety Codes and regulations. Conducts investigations in response to consumer complaints, food borne disease outbreaks, and environmental health complaints involving recreational sanitation, institutional sanitation, field sanitation and public health nuisances. onal sanitation, institutional sanitation, field sanitation, and public health nuisances. Evaluates findings, documents facility compliance, and makes recommendations for compliance using rules and regulations. Works with supervisor to provide technical assistance and consultative services to schools, retail food establishment owners, managers and operators, local health departments and to the general public. Required to respond to public health emergencies and events. Required to use software during inspections, meet minimum workload measures, and conduct investigations and submit reports in a timely manner. Position works under supervision with latitude for the use of initiative and independent judgement.

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Required Applicant Qualifications

(The following qualifications are REQUIRED. Do NOT apply to this position unless you currently meet or plan to meet these requirements by the start of the Fellowship, June 1, 2023.)

Required certification/license:

Class C Driver's license

Ability to Speak in Spanish:

Basic: Fellow can speak the language imperfectly and only to a limited degree and in limited situations. The Fellow will have difficulty in or understanding extended conversations

Ability to Write in Spanish:

Basic: Fellow can write the language imperfectly and only to a limited degree and in limited situations.

Preferred Educational Qualifications

(The following preferences are guidelines provided by the Host Site. These are NOT requirements. Host Sites prefer that applicants have completed or are currently working toward these.)

Preferred Level of Education: Associate's degree

Preferred Training/Courses/Degree:

Microbiology

Food Service

Interest in Environmental Science

Interest in Recreational and Institutional Facility Safety

Preferred Specialized and Technical Skills

(The following skills will be a focus during this particular Fellowship position. If you have or are interested in developing data analysis skills or building technical skills in the software listed below, this could be a good Fellowship position for you.)

Data Analysis Skills:

No Preference

Statistical Software:

No preference

Skill Level with Statistical Software:

No Preference

Other Software:

No Preference