

State Representative La Shawn K. Ford

DAILY JOB LISTINGS



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Job Title: Corrections Vocational Instructor - Opt D

Agency: Corrections

Closing Date/Time: Wed. 06/08/16 4:59 PM Central Time

Salary: \$4,161.00 - \$6,228.00 monthly

Job Type: Full-Time

Location: Brown County, Illinois

Number of Vacancies: 1

Plan/BU: RC006

Bid ID#: IDOC29-06-16-0045

Under general supervision of the Corrections Industry Supervisor, provides occupational instruction for inmates in the Meat Processing Plant at Western Illinois Correctional Center. Enforces and maintains safety, security, sanitation, disciplinary measures in the Meat Processing Plant at Western Illinois Correctional Center.

Agency Contact: Christi Buss IL Correctional Industries 1301 Concordia Court Springfield, IL 62794



Job Title: Data Processing Specialist (Upward Mobility Target

Title)

Agency: Central Management Services

Closing Date/Time: Wed. 06/08/16 5:00 PM Central Time

Salary: \$3,371.00 - \$4,826.00 monthly

Job Type: Full-Time

Location: Sangamon County, Illinois

Number of Vacancies: 1

Plan/BU: RC028

Bid ID#: CMS 12241

Under general supervision, performs duties in an enterprise data processing multi-platform computer installation utilizing a variety of operating systems and complex software and scheduling systems for assigned client agencies statewide. Provides error resolution and meets processing deadlines utilizing JCL (Job Control Language) and complex data monitoring techniques.

Agency Contact:

A & R Shared Services Center 101 West Jefferson St., WIB Mail Code 5-110 Springfield, IL 62702 217-782-6239 217-782-9925 Fax



Job Title: Day Care Licensing Representative I (Upward

Mobility Target Title)

Agency: Children & Family Services

Salary: \$4,377.00 - \$6,581.00 monthly

Job Type: Full-Time

Location: Knox County, Illinois

Number of Vacancies: 2

Plan/BU: RC063

Bid ID#: Galesburg Licensing 2016

Under supervision, performs responsible functions of the day care licensing program in accordance with agency policies and procedures; maintains responsibility for the licensing of specific day care centers and homes

Johnnie Rambo DCFS Licensing

1911 S. Indiana 9th Floor Chicago, Illinois 60616 Phone: 312-328-2461 Fax: 312-328-2321

Email: Johnnie.Rambo@illinois.gov



Job Title: Day Care Licensing Representative Woodstock

(Upward Mobility Target Title)

Agency: Children & Family Services

Salary: \$4,377.00 - \$6,581.00 monthly

Job Type: Full-Time

Location: McHenry County, Illinois

Number of Vacancies: 1

Plan/BU: RC063

Bid ID#: Woodstock Licensing 2016

Under supervision, performs responsible functions of the day care licensing program in accordance with agency policies and procedures; maintains responsibility for the licensing of specific day care centers and homes

Contact:

Johnnie Rambo
DCFS Licensing
1911 S. Indiana 9th Floor
Chicago, Illinois 60616

Phone: 312-328-2461 Fax: 312-328-2321

Email: Johnnie.Rambo@illinois.gov



Job Title: Day Care Licensing Representative Peoria (Upward

Mobility Target Title)

Agency: Children & Family Services

Salary: \$4,377.00 - \$6,581.00 monthly

Job Type: Full-Time

Location: Peoria County, Illinois

Number of Vacancies: 1

Plan/BU: RC063

Bid ID#: Peoria Licensing 2016

Under supervision, performs responsible functions of the day care licensing program in accordance with agency policies and procedures; maintains responsibility for the licensing of specific day care centers and homes

Contact:

Johnnie Rambo DCFS Licensing 1911 S. Indiana 9th Floor Chicago, Illinois 60616

Phone: 312-328-2461 Fax: 312-328-2321

Email: Johnnie.Rambo@illinois.gov



Job Title: Day Care Licensing Representative Rock Island

(Upward Mobility Target Title)

Agency: Children & Family Services

Salary: \$4,377.00 - \$6,581.00 monthly

Job Type: Full-Time

Location: Rock Island County, Illinois

Number of Vacancies: 2

Plan/BU: RC063

Bid ID#: Rock Island Licensing 2016

Under supervision, performs responsible functions of the day care licensing program in accordance with agency policies and procedures; maintains responsibility for the licensing of specific day care centers and homes

Contact:

Johnnie Rambo DCFS Licensing 1911 S. Indiana 9th Floor Chicago, Illinois 60616 Phone: 312-328-2461

Fax: 312-328-2321

Email: <u>Johnnie.Rambo@illinois.gov</u>



Job Title: Dietary Manager II

Agency: Human Services

Salary: \$4,377.00 - \$6,581.00 monthly

Job Type: Full-Time

Location: Madison County, Illinois

Number of Vacancies: 1

Plan/BU: RC062

Bid ID#: 10-77-210-00-01-88986-4190

Under administrative direction of the Business Administrator, serves as the Dietary Manager for the Alton Mental Health Center; develops, directs, coordinates

Agency Contact listed above or by contacting CMS, Division of Examining and Counseling at Work4Illinois@Illinois.gov or (217) 782-7100, (217) 785-3979 (TDD/TTY), (800) 526-0844 (TTY Only).



Job Title: Educator - Opt B

Agency: Juvenile Justice

Closing Date/Time: Continuous

Salary: \$4,311.00 - \$7,969.00 monthly

Job Type: Full-Time

Location: Cook County, Illinois

Number of Vacancies: 1

Plan/BU: RC063

Bid ID#: IDJJ-27-17-15-0015

Under general supervision of the Principal, (PSA), instructs students in the assigned secondary curriculum area using developmental teaching methods and techniques consistent with current teaching methodology; prepares and executes diagnostic test instruments geared to each student's abilities and needs

CONTACT:

Olivia Robles, Human Resource Rep. Illinois Youth Center - Chicago P.O. Box 12247 Chicago, Illinois 60612 312-633-5219 x-4080



Job Title: Educator - Opt B

Agency: Juvenile Justice

Closing Date/Time: Continuous

Salary: \$4,311.00 - \$7,936.00 monthly

\$51,732.00 - \$95,232.00 annually

Job Type: Full-Time

Location: Kane County, Illinois

Number of Vacancies: 1

Plan/BU: RC063

Bid ID#: IDJJ-27-10-15-0960

Under general supervision for the Principal (PSA), instructs students in the assigned curriculum area (Science) using developmental teaching methods and techniques consistent with current teaching methodology; prepares and executes diagnostic test instruments geared to each student's abilities and needs

Agency Contact:

Susan A. Swegle, SPHR, M.S. Human Resources Representative Illinois Youth Center - St. Charles 3825 Campton Hills Road St. Charles, IL 60175 630-584-0506 630-584-1014 (fax) susan.swegle@doc.illinois.gov



Job Title: Electronics Technician

Agency: Environmental Protection Agency

Closing Date/Time: Thu. 06/02/16 5:00 PM Central Time

Salary: \$3,792.00 - \$5,601.00 monthly

Job Type: Full-Time

Location: Sangamon County, Illinois

Number of Vacancies: 2

Plan/BU: RC014

Bid ID#: 13-037

Under general supervision, performs technical duties in the maintenance, repair, and calibration of air quality monitoring instruments and support equipment; plans and conducts a program of preventive maintenance; designs and assembles special purpose electronic equipment and instrumentation

Contact: Jeff McNeal

IEPA

1021 North Grand Avenue East MC#37

PO Box 19276

Springfield, IL 62794-9472

217/785-1745

Fax: 217/524-6907



Job Title: Employment Security Program Representative

(Upward Mobility Target Title)

Agency: Employment Security

Closing Date/Time: Fri. 06/10/16 5:00 PM Central Time

Salary: \$3,647.00 - \$5,342.00 monthly

Job Type: Full-Time

Location: McLean County, Illinois

Number of Vacancies: 1

Plan/BU: RC062

Bid ID#: RCRA 11665

Under general supervision, for an assigned area, assesses and addresses client Unemployment Insurance and Wagner-Peyser service needs. Provides services related to the processing of claims for unemployment insurance benefits, including but not limited to interstate, military, other federal or trade readjustment; conducts benefit right interviews; provides orientation and clarifies eligibility factors

WHERE TO APPLY:

IDES Recruitment & Selection 607 E. Adams Street - 8th Floor Springfield, IL 62701

Fax: 217-524-2083



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Fax: 217-524-2083



Job Title: Employment Security Program Representative -

Intermittent

Agency: Employment Security

Closing Date/Time: Thu. 06/09/16 5:00 PM Central Time

Salary: \$22.44 - \$32.87 hourly

Job Type: Intermittent

Location: Jefferson County, Illinois

Number of Vacancies: 4

Plan/BU: RC062

Bid ID#: RCRA 11667

Under general supervision, on an **intermittent basis**for an assigned area, assesses and addresses client Unemployment Insurance and Wagner-Peyser service needs. Provides services related to the processing of claims for unemployment insurance benefits, including but not limited to interstate, military, other federal or trade readjustment

WHERE TO APPLY:

IDES Recruitment & Selection 607 E Adams St. - 8th Floor Springfield, IL 62701

Fax: (217) 524 -3472



Job Title: Employment Security Program Representative -

Intermittent

Agency: Employment Security

Closing Date/Time: Thu. 06/09/16 5:00 PM Central Time

Salary: \$22.44 - \$32.87 hourly

Job Type: Intermittent

Location: Rock Island County, Illinois

Number of Vacancies: 4

Plan/BU: RC062

Bid ID#: RCRA 11671

Under general supervision, on an **intermittent basis**for an assigned area, assesses and addresses client Unemployment Insurance and Wagner-Peyser service needs. Provides services related to the processing of claims for unemployment insurance benefits, including but not limited to interstate

WHERE TO APPLY:

IDES Recruitment & Selection 607 E. Adams Street - 8th Floor Springfield, IL 62701

Fax: 217-524-2083



Job Title: Employment Security Specialist III

Agency: Employment Security

Closing Date/Time: Fri. 06/10/16 5:00 PM Central Time

Salary: \$4,612.00 - \$6,990.00 monthly

Job Type: Full-Time

Location: Cook County Zone 5, Illinois

Number of Vacancies: 1

Plan/BU: RC062

Bid ID#: RCRA 11666

Under general direction of the Business Services Manager, independently performs professional functions in the Business Services Outreach program for the Illinois Department of Employment Security; plans, develops and provides technical assistance to local offices for the implementation of Business Services Outreach programs and projects and / or numerous special federally funded employment service programs.

WHERE TO APPLY:

IDES Recruitment & Selection 607 E. Adams Street -8th Floor Springfield, IL 62701

Fax: 217-524-2083



Job Title: Executive I - Opt E1

Agency: Public Health

Closing Date/Time: Mon. 06/06/16 5:00 PM Central Time

Salary: \$4,377.00 - \$6,581.00 monthly

Job Type: Full-Time

Location: Sangamon County, Illinois

Number of Vacancies: 1

Plan/BU: RC062

Bid ID#: IDPH 32-16-0179

Under the direction of the Public Service Administrator in the Division of Chronic Disease Prevention and Control, serves as a regional tobacco advisor for the Illinois Tobacco Free Communities Program (ITFC).

Agency Contact:

Office of Human Resources 535 W. Jefferson St. 4th fl Springfield, IL 62761

Phone: 217-785-2031 Fax: 217-785-2038

Email: DPH.HRApplications@illinois.gov



Job Title: Executive I - Opt H7

Agency: Human Services

Closing Date/Time: Thu. 06/02/16 5:00 PM Central Time

Salary: \$4,377.00 - \$6,581.00 monthly

\$52,524.00 - \$78,972.00 annually

Job Type: Full-Time

Location: Cook County, Illinois

Number of Vacancies: 1

Plan/BU: RC062

Bid ID#: 10-91-96231

Under direction of the Local Office Administrator, serves as Client Employment and Training Coordinator for the assigned geographical area. Organizes, plans, executes, controls and evaluates the Welfare-to-Work (WTW) Program in Family & Community Services

Bureau of Employee Services Melissa Roeder 100 South Grand Ave East, 3rd floor Springfield, IL 62762 217-557-0347

FAX: 217-524-2116



Job Title: Executive I - Opt N1

Agency: Healthcare & Family Services

Closing Date/Time: Mon. 06/06/16 5:00 PM Central Time

Salary: \$4,377.00 - \$6,581.00 monthly

Job Type: Full-Time

Location: Sangamon County, Illinois

Number of Vacancies: 1

Plan/BU: RC062

Bid ID#: FB0178

Under direction, plans, organizes and manages the Physician Administered Drug Rebate Program; confers with drug manufacturers to explain policies and procedures for the Physician Administered Drug Rebate Program; serves as liaison to the Bureaus of Fiscal Operations, Pharmacy Services

Contact Person: Rhonda Homer 201 South Grand Avenue East Springfield, Illinois 62763

217-557-4734 Office 217-558-4699 Fax



Job Title: Grantee Auditor- Non Code

Agency: Criminal Justice Information Authority

Closing Date/Time: Tue. 05/31/16 5:00 PM Central Time

Salary: Under Review

Job Type: Full-Time

Location: Cook County, Illinois

Number of Vacancies: 1

Bid ID#: 50-05-005

Created in 1983 the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority is a state agency dedicated to improving the state's criminal justice system. The Authority brings together key leaders from the justice system and the public to identify critical issues

Interest should be expressed by email with cover letter and resume to Ms. Maria Espindola, Human Resources Coordinator, Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority, Maria.Espindola@illinois.gov Application process closes on May 31, 2016.





JUNE 20TH - AUGUST 19TH

Monday through Friday; 12:00pm - 1:30pm

2 Locations

BEYE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL 230 N Cuyler Ave Oak Park, IL 60302

ST JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

305 Circle Ave Forest Park, IL 60130



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MECHANICAL APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS (CARMAN and SHEET METAL WORKER)

Sheet Metal Worker:

1st Period Apprentice \$21.59/HR

Apprentice Rate

Full Scale Journeyman

Journeyman Rate

\$30.84/HR

Carman:

Apprentice Rate

Journeyman Rate

1st Period Apprentice \$21.59/HR Full Scale Journeyman \$30.84/HR

Metra is currently accepting applications for its Mechanical Apprenticeship Programs. These programs take approximately three (3) years to complete and include classroom work and on-the-job training leading to a journeyman's certification.

Carman – (Passenger Railcar Mechanic) – Carman apprentices learn how to inspect, repair, and maintain air brake systems and the intereriors/exteriors of passenger railcars. Training includes formal classroom instruction and on-the-job training with an experienced Journeyman Carman.

Sheet Metal Worker – (Pipefitter) – Sheet Metal Worker apprentices learn how to inspect, repair and maintain toilets, piping systems and fabricate sheet metal components on passenger railcars and locomotives through on the job training with an experienced Journeyman Sheet Metal Worker. Apprentices also participate in formal instruction in a classroom setting.

- Candidates must be at least 18 years of age.
- Candidates must have a high school diploma or GED.
- Candidates must complete the minimum qualifications on-line questionnaire within the application posting period.
- Candidates must be able to bend, stoop, and lift up to 50 lbs.
- Candidates must be able to work different shifts.
- Military, trade school, or college experience helpful.

All applicants are subject to a complete review of their personnel record and department work record file with Metra for entrance into these programs. Work records are reviewed for absenteeism/tardiness, discipline, and/or safety violations leading to discipline. Additional factors considered include the candidate's ability to perform the physical requirements of the position, to wear a respirator (for certain positions), and to travel to different work locations. Applicants meeting initial criteria must participate in an assessment that measures, among other items, math and language skills. Upon successful completion of the assessment, Metra will schedule candidates for an interview with the Apprentice Selection Panel. 'The panel includes members of Metra's Human Resources and Mechanical Departments.

Metra may, for operational reasons, deny you the opportunity to transfer to another position within Metra. Unless Metra determines otherwise, your application will not be considered for any position outside of your department for a period equal to the period of the apprentice/training program. After that hold period, you may apply for a position outside of your agreement, however, you will not be considered for a transfer if, in Metra's discretion, such a transfer would have an adverse impact on your employing department. If you apply for this position and receive an offer, but are denied a transfer, you are not precluded from resigning your current position to accept this position. If you resign, please note that you do so at your own risk since there will be adverse employment consequence (involving, among other things, your seniority and vacation accrual).



CMS EMPLOYMENT

Testing is offered on easy to use touch screen computers. Applicants are allowed at least 90 minutes to answer the questions on automated tests. On tests with a larger number of questions or more complex questions (Human Resources Assistant & Associate; Data Processing Specialist & Administrative Specialist; Disability Claims Adjudicator Trainee; Insurance Analyst II; Revenue Tax Specialist Trainee; Social Services Career Trainee; Telecommunicate Trainee), more time is allowed to complete the exam.

Public use copiers are not available at the Assessment Centers. Therefore, it is important that applicants bring with them copies of their application for <u>each</u> title and test option for which they want to test.

Chicago Office:

James R. Thompson Center 100 W. Randolph, Suite 3-300 Chicago, IL 60601-3220 (312) 793-3565 (voice) Illinois Relay Center 800) 526-0844

MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY ONLY -- Flexible Schedule Testing Check in time for tests - clerical and non-clerical is anytime between 8:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.



What is the CTA Second Chance Program?

The CTA Second Chance Program is an initiative offered in conjunction with the City of Chicago and social service agencies throughout the city. Working closely with the Department of Family and Support Services, hard-to-place individuals are given an opportunity to obtain full-time employment and training which may enable a start of a long-term, meaningful career.

How to apply

Jobseekers need to actively participate in one of the 13 designated agencies' work readiness programs. The CTA Second Chance program is in regular communication with the agencies listed below. The agencies' top participants are referred to CTA for the bus servicer and rail car servicer Second Chance positions.

Click Here For the 13 Designated Agencies

What are the eligibility requirements and qualifications?

- Job seekers interested in participating must:
- Reside within the City of Chicago
- Be 18 years or older
- Participate in 8-10 weeks of Job Readiness Training and obtain a certificate of completion from one of the 13 referring agencies.
- Second Chance participants that are referred are required to be released from the following:
- House arrest (wearing metal band/bracelet)
- o Drug/alcohol program (i.e. Methadone treatment)
- Work release center

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How many Second Chance positions are available?

Up to 265 Second Chance participants may be employed by CTA in one calendar year. Start and end dates per Second Chance participant are on a rolling basis.

How long does the program last?

Based on job performance and attendance, a participant may serve for 12 months or more.

How much does the program pay?

Participants are paid at a rate of \$10.00 per hour and may work up to 40 hours per week. Pay checks are issued on a bi-weekly pay period.

How is a participant selected?

As positions become available, CTA contacts the referring agencies. Referring agencies recommend applicants who they have screened and who have successfully completed the job readiness program.

Once the referring agency recommends an applicant, what happens?

- Applicants are fingerprinted for background processing.
- Applicants complete a medical review.
- If the applicant passes background and medical what are the next steps?
- Orientation/pre-hire
- Applicants attend a new employee orientation thoroughly outlining program guidelines, eligibility requirements, job functions, placements, and Union participation.
- Completion of all hiring documentation and application inserts
- Training



- Participants are required to complete a (paid) safety training prior to reporting to assigned work location.
- o The overall performance and attendance/tardiness of each apprentice is scored.
- Supervisors and apprentices are required to review the scoring of the evaluations, solicit feedback and address any questions or concerns.
- Agencies provide individual case management on each apprentice and maintain periodic contact.

What happens when the participant successfully completes the program?

- Participants in good standing receive a certificate of completion and letter of reference from CTA.
- Providing there are no additional arrests or convictions on the participant's record, the Second Chance program participant is encouraged to apply for CTA vacancies.

Who can you call if you have questions?

If you still have questions about this program, you can contact the CTA Second Chance Hotline

- 312-681-2293.



10 REASONS TO CONSIDER JOINING THE ARMED FORCES

Whether you are considering the military out of a sense of Patriotism or duty, for action and adventure, or for a steady job in a depressed economy, there is something for everyone. Here are 10 reasons the military may be a good fit for you.



4800 W. CHICAGO AVENUE, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60651 773.378.5902 FAX 773.378.5903 SIGN UP FOR DAILY JOB LEADS WWW.LASHAWNFORD.COM EMAIL JOB LEADS TO WORKFORCE@LASHAWNFORD.COM PLEASE FEEL FREE TO FORWARD JOB LEADS TO OTHERS Jobs Found at: http://agency.governmentjobs.com/illinois/default.cfm?clearsearch=1



- 1. Patriotism, defending our nation, and a sense of duty. Military service is a time-honored way to serve others first. Walter Reuther is quoted as saying, "There is no greater calling than to serve your fellow men. There is no greater contribution than to help the weak. There is no greater satisfaction than to have done it well." (Source). This quote sums up what it means to serve. When you join the military, you learn the true meaning of service.
- 2. Jobs in a down economy. The US has experienced a difficult economy over the last few years, including high levels of unemployment, rising costs, and the outsourcing of many jobs. If you are looking for employment, consider the military, which continues to offer jobs for those who are qualified medically and academically, and who do not have an extensive criminal record.
- 3. Pay and benefits. A new second lieutenant starts at over \$36,000 a year plus full benefits, not including added monthly allowances of up to \$3,000, depending on where he or she is stationed. An enlisted person starts at around \$20,000 a year plus full benefits, not including added monthly allowances of up to \$1,500 depending on where he or she is stationed. Enlistment and re-enlistment bonuses can be over \$20,000. After serving only 3 years, some nuclear trained enlisted members in the Navy receive bonuses of \$90,000 for re-enlisting. Student loans can be relieved by up to \$65,000. The military is also one of the few places where you can get a full pension after serving 20 years or more. Military can reach 50-75% of the average of your final three years base salary. In some instances, you can receive more than 75% of your base pay in retirement.



- 4. Full medical coverage for you and your family. Military members are immediately eligible for full health care benefits for themselves and their immediate family members as soon as they enter the service, and if you stay through until retirement, you and your family can take these benefits with you when you leave the military. These health benefits extend to immediate family (e.g. spouses and children, and sometimes dependent parents). You may also be eligible for temporary military healthcare benefits after you leave the service.
- 5. Skills and training. The military provides advanced technical training in a variety of career fields and also offers opportunities for additional training when you are off-duty. Many military members are able to attend college that is often paid for by tuition assistance. You can use your training opportunities to advance within your career field, earn certifications or degrees, or prepare yourself to transition back into civilian life.
- 6. Leadership opportunities. Military leadership is a great way to get your resume for your next career. If you were to hire someone, would you want to hire someone with proven skills and experience and a degree, or someone right out of high school/college? Give me the experienced professional any day of the week! (More tips for creating your post-military resume).
- 7. Travel opportunities and vacation time. The military has installations all around the world and pays for you and your family to get there and back. Your off duty time is yours and you are free to travel and see the world. The military gives you 30 days of paid leave per year, not including weekends and federal holidays, depending on your job.



Benefits after Leaving the Service

- 8. Education opportunities after you leave the military. The new GI Bill pays veterans who served at least 36 months a monthly living stipend and full tuition to pay for college, after they leave the military. Depending on how long the service member commits, this GI Bill can be transferred to spouses and children.
- 9. Buy a home with no money down with a VA Loan. The Veterans Affairs office offers veterans a way to purchase a home with no money down through the VA Loan. This makes it easier to purchase a home while you are serving, or after you have left the service.
- 10. A military retirement is worth millions. An officer with 20 years of service, who earns over \$100,000 per year, could retire with a pension of over \$48,000 per year for life in his or her 40's and start a second career. Imagine earning over \$4000 per month for the rest of one's life, starting at age 42. This equates to an accumulative pay of \$480,000, \$960,000, \$1.4 million in 10, 20, and 30 years, respectively, in addition to having full health care coverage and an income from a second job, if desired. (Oh, and those numbers don't account for annual cost of living adjustments which increase your monthly pension).