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# DAILY JOB LISTINGS



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## **The Conference of Women Legislators (COWL)**

has established a scholarship fund to assist mature women (age 25 and older) who wish to continue their undergraduate education. The goal of the scholarship is to focus on deserving, qualified women whose educations were interrupted due to family concerns and economic problems. Particular consideration will emphasize women who have shown leadership promise through community service.

The one year undergraduate scholarship will cover tuition, books and fees up to \$2500 per year, including summer school. Applicants for the scholarship must meet certain requirements to be eligible. In addition to being a woman 25 years of age or older, she must be an Illinois resident and plan to attend an accredited on-campus school in Illinois for at least six semester hours (online college are not eligible).

Copies of the forms are attached but all scholarship application instructions and forms may be downloaded from the COWL website:

<http://cowlil.com/>

Application materials must be postmarked no later than April 15, 2016 to be considered and all applicants will be notified by May 31, 2016. COWL Scholarship Program is for the 2016-2017 Academic Year

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### **Public Affairs Specialist, GS-1035-12**

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This is a Bargaining Unit Position. You must be a U.S. Citizen You must successfully complete a background investigation. You may be required to serve a one-year probationary period . This position is located at the Small Business Administration, Region V - Chicago, Illinois District Office, which i

**Salary:**

\$77,899.00 - \$101,229.00 / Per Year

**Series & Grade:**

GS-1035-12/12

**Location(s):**

Chicago, Illinois

**Open Period:**

2/4/2016 to 2/19/2016

**Announcement Number:**

16-092-DB

**Agency:**

Small Business Administration

**Position Info:**

Full Time - Permanent

**Who May Apply:**

US Citizens and Status Candidates

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### Public Health Advisor

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This position is located in the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Office of the Secretary, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health (OASH), Office of the Secretary (OS), with vacancies in Chicago, IL, Denver, CO, and Philadelphia, PA. The mission of OASH is management oversight of

**Salary:**

\$52,338.00 - \$84,489.00 / Per Year

**Series & Grade:**

GS-0685-09/11

**Location(s):**

[Multiple Locations](#) (3)

**Open Period:**

2/4/2016 to 2/11/2016

**Announcement Number:**

HHS-OASH-DE-16-1619659

**Department:**

Department Of Health And Human Services

**Agency:**

Office of the Secretary of Health and Human Services

**Position Info:**

Full Time - Permanent

**Who May Apply:**

United States Citizens

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## **FINANCIAL SERVICES TECHNICIAN**

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**Salary:**

\$36,025.00 - \$57,631.00 / Per Year

**Series & Grade:**

GS-0503-06/08

**Location(s):**

Springfield, Illinois

**Open Period:**

2/8/2016 to 2/23/2016

**Announcement Number:**

IL-16-042

**Department:**

Department of the Army

**Agency:**

Army National Guard Units (Title 32)

**Position Info:**

Full Time - Excepted Service Permanent

**Who May Apply:**

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### Medical Support Assistant

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OUR MISSION: To fulfill President Lincoln's promise - "To care for him who shall have borne the battle, and for his widow, and his orphan" - by serving and honoring the men and women who are America's Veterans. Readying Warriors and Caring for Heroes! This position is located within the FACSUP PATIE

**Salary:**

\$35,452.00 - \$46,087.00 / Per Year

**Series & Grade:**

GS-0679-05/05

**Location(s):**

North Chicago, Illinois

**Open Period:**

2/4/2016 to 2/25/2016

**Announcement Number:**

DK-16-KA-1603895-BU

**Department:**

Department Of Veterans Affairs

**Agency:**

Veterans Affairs, Veterans Health Administration

**Position Info:**

Full Time - Excepted Service Permanent

**Who May Apply:**

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### Computer Scientist

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The mission of the United States Air Force is to fly, fight and win...in air, space and cyberspace. To achieve that mission, the Air Force has a vision of Global Vigilance, Reach and Power. That vision orbits around three core competencies: Developing Airmen, Technology-to-Warfighting and Integratin

**Salary:**

\$32,318.00 - \$152,593.00 / Per Year

**Series & Grade:**

GS-1550-5/15

**Location(s):**

[Multiple Locations](#) (31)

**Open Period:**

2/4/2016 to 4/30/2016

**Announcement Number:**

AFPC-ACQEHA-10000460-1550

**Department:**

Department of the Air Force

**Agency:**

Air Force Personnel Center

**Position Info:**

Multiple Schedules - Multiple Appointment Types

**Who May Apply:**

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### County Program Technician

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PLEASE READ ALL THE INSTRUCTIONS UNDER "HOW TO APPLY" BEFORE YOU BEGIN.  
RELOCATION EXPENSES WILL NOT BE AUTHORIZED Veteran's preference does not apply . This is a non-civil service position with the Washington County FSA Office in Nashville, Illinois .

**Salary:**

\$28,886.00 - \$52,043.00 / Per Year

**Series & Grade:**

CO-1101-04/07

**Location(s):**

Nashville, Illinois

**Open Period:**

2/8/2016 to 2/22/2016

**Announcement Number:**

IL-2016-0012

**Department:**

Department Of Agriculture

**Agency:**

Farm Service Agency

**Position Info:**

Full-Time - Permanent

**Who May Apply:**

Open to U.S. citizens.

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### Administrative Specialist

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**\*\*This vacancy is open for two weeks OR to the first 300 applicants who apply. If 300 applicants apply prior to the closing date, the vacancy will be closed the day the number of applicants is reached.\*\***

Incumbent serves as an Administrative Specialist in the Office of the Inspector General (OIG), O

**Salary:**

\$64,992.00 - \$84,489.00 / Per Year

**Series & Grade:**

GS-0301-11/11

**Location(s):**

Chicago, Illinois

**Open Period:**

2/8/2016 to 2/19/2016

**Announcement Number:**

SH1617369

**Agency:**

Social Security Administration

**Position Info:**

Full Time - Permanent

**Who May Apply:**

United States Citizens

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### Survey Technician, GS-0303-06, CENSUS-DE-DMM

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This vacancy is advertised under 2 different announcements. Some applicants may not be eligible to be hired under THIS announcement. Please make sure you apply to the announcement that entitles you to consideration. Read the `Who May Apply` section carefully to determine your eligibility. If you are

**Salary:**

\$39,519.00 - \$51,373.00 / Per Year

**Series & Grade:**

GS-0303-06/06

**Location(s):**

Oak Brook, Illinois

**Open Period:**

2/4/2016 to 2/12/2016

**Announcement Number:**

CHICAGO RO-2016-0020

**Department:**

Department Of Commerce

**Agency:**

Bureau of the Census

**Position Info:**

Competitive Service: Career or Career-Conditional - Full-Time, Permanent

**Who May Apply:**

Open to all U.S Citizens

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## **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 each 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

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Schedule Testing Check in time for tests - clerical and non-clerical is anytime between 8:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. (Exception for Data Processing Administrative Specialist, Data Processing Specialist, Disability Claims Adjudicator Trainee, HR Asst., HR Assoc., Insurance Analyst II, Revenue Tax Spec. Tr., Social Services Career Trainee, Telecommunicate Trainee and Dictation exams; for these titles you



## **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)
  - Drug/alcohol program (i.e. Methadone treatment)
  - Work release center

### **How many Second Chance positions are available?**

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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.





- 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.

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## **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.



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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

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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.

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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).