



SOUTH PLAINS PUBLIC HEALTH DISTRICT

Environmental Health Services

Serving the Communities of Gaines, Yoakum, Terry, Dawson,
Cities of Levelland and Sundown, Texas

Gaines County
704 Hobbs Hwy
Seminole, TX 79360
432 758 4021

Yoakum County
415 Mustang
Denver City, TX 79323
806 592 2706

Terry County
919 E Main
Brownfield, TX 79316
806 637 2164

Dawson County
503 S 1st
Lamesa, TX 79332
806 872 5863

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Environmental Health Specialist I

SALARY RANGE:

\$40,000.00 Annually Hourly Biweekly

Excellent benefits

Paid vacation

Inspection vehicle and fuel provided

Home storage of vehicle allowed within Lubbock city/county limits

Assigned office location: Brownfield, Texas

SUMMARY:

Promotes a clean and safe environment through education, inspection and enforcement related to FDA food code, Texas Food Establishment Rules (TFER), local, state and federal rules and ordinances related to all programs monitored or licensed by Environmental Health Department.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:

- Inspect retail food establishments, daycares, school and hospital kitchens for compliance with local, state and federal regulations and ordinances governing sanitary conditions and compliance of their operations
- Inspect temporary events or respond to calls from other city or county departments during nights, weekends, holidays and after hours
- Respond and investigate complaints against regulated facilities
- Respond and investigate general environmental health nuisance complaints
- Develop and maintain positive public relations and resolve complaints in a diplomatic manner
- Perform plan reviews of new, remodeled or converted facilities in a timely manner
- Coordinate activities with clerical staff, other inspection staff and other city and county departments
- Coordinate with federal, state or other organizations concerning disease investigations, hazardous waste response and training/education
- Develop presentations and training events for facilities and public on environmental health concerns
- Monitor assigned area for conditions which could adversely affect public health or environment
- Perform and document inspections, investigations and enforcement actions using a tablet computer. Prepare and present reports
- Proper use and maintenance of assigned test equipment and scientific instruments
- Testify before appropriate boards, commissions or courts
- Perform related duties as directed

QUALIFICATIONS:

- The Position requires a bachelor's degree with a minimum of 30 hours of Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation TDLR approved science courses. Degree in microbiology, biology or chemistry preferred
- Valid Current Driver's License
- Physical Exam Required

KNOWLEDGE AND ABILITIES:

Knowledge of:

- Local, state, federal regulations and ordinances related to retail food establishments and general environmental health nuisances

Ability to:

- Make decisions based on current rules and regulations as well as scientific research and trends
- Register and complete required on-line course work within 6 months of hire
- Obtain license as a Registered Sanitarian within 24 months of hire
- Obtain Certified Food Managers certification within 6 months of hire
- Educate, enforce, read and interpret state health statutes, city ordinances and state/federal laws
- Work with the public in a diplomatic manner using conflict resolution skills, tactful persuasion and professional etiquette
- Prepare and complete reports and document evidence of violations
- Plan, prepare and deliver educational presentations to the public
- Effectively manage time and multiple projects

Physical Requirements

- Frequently walk during the shift
- Continuously bend during the shift
- Occasionally kneel during the shift
- Place arms above, at and below shoulder height
- Frequently lift and carry up to 25 pounds
- Occasionally lift and carry up to 50 pounds
- Coordinate eye, hand and foot movement in order to operate a vehicle

LICENSES/CERTIFICATIONS:

- Valid Current Driver's License

Additional Information

- Upon attainment of credentials as a Registered Sanitarian, the incumbent will attain the classification of Environmental Health Sanitarian II and will receive salary increase.
- Inspection truck or SUV will be provided for home storage and to allow for immediate response to field duties.
- Applications with resumes may be submitted to zholbrooks@spphd.org
- Applications can be found on our website at <https://southplainshealth.org/careers/> and will be accepted until position is filled.
- SPPHD is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Mission Statement: The South Plains Public Health District, a non-profit governmental agency in cooperation with the city and county governments of Gaines, Terry, Dawson and Yoakum, strives to prevent illness and environmental hazards, promote the health and preparedness of our citizens and protect the community through education and response.



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