# PADRE DAM MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT invites applications for the position of:

# **Park Operations Manager**

**SALARY:** \$43.56 -

\$61.63 Hourly \$7,550.40 -\$10,682.53 Monthly \$90,604.80 -\$128,190.40 Annually

**OPENING DATE:** 01/09/23

CLOSING DATE: 01/26/23 11:59

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# **DESCRIPTION:**

Santee Lakes Recreation Preserve has three primary emphases for success: service, safety and cleanliness. The Park Operations Manager plays a primary role in the day-to-day success of these principles.

Under general supervision of the Director, the Park Operations Manager is responsible for managing and coordinating the day-to-day services and operational activities of the Santee Lakes Recreation Preserve. The Ideal Candidate will have the ability to balance a high volume of requests and priorities and be able to prioritize their workload to meet required deadlines. Duties include: evaluating, implementing and/or recommending changes to programs, services and policies concerning Park & guest issues; handling unusual or escalated guest issues, written correspondence, non-routine problem resolution; oversight of Outside Park & Recreation staff and volunteer campers by providing training and directing workloads; overseeing compliance with state and Padre Dam Rules & Regulations where they pertain to Parks & Recreation, maintaining communications between vendors, management, staff, volunteers, and guests; conducting performance evaluations; collaborating with other departments and committees on various interdepartmental issues, collecting and analyzing data for various state, county, agency and Padre Dam reports; and preparing and enforcing budget expenditures for the department; and other duties as may be assigned.

# **ESSENTIAL DUTIES:**

- 1. Manages the Santee Lakes outside service operations programs within a designated geographical area, which includes park facilities and structures, horticulture, lakes maintenance, wildlife management and associated activities. Assumes day-to-day oversight and management responsibility for all services and activities that take place at Santee Lakes.
- 2. Participates in interviews and recommends selection of employment candidates; establishes performance expectations and standards for the department; oversees plans

- and actions for employee development; prepares and conducts employee evaluations; conducts informal counseling on work issues; prepares documentation and works with HR to develop improvement plans to address work performance problems/deficiencies; and recommends approved disciplinary actions.
- 3. Takes a managing role in training and developing service standards among staff with direct customer contact. Serves as ombudsman for the customer's perspective in developing operational strategies, policies, and programs; identifies and designs needed process improvements to enhance quest experience.
- 4. Monitors and surveys visitor satisfaction levels, investigates complaints, has authority to resolve and assists with assuring a quality customer service program.
- 5. Establishes and approves goals and objectives; measures and evaluates results and outcome of programs and activities, and recommends adjustments to achieve program and department goals.
- 6. Identifies opportunities for improving service delivery methods and procedures; identifies resources needs; reviews with appropriate management staff and implements improvements.
- 7. Prepare cost center budget and makes spending recommendations. Develops, negotiates and recommends contracts and agreements; monitors contractor performance and implements appropriate control methods.
- 8. Manages individual program budgets; tracks revenue and expenses to ensure budget projections are met. Creates and analyzes data to develop budget reports. Assist with the development and administration of the Park's annual budget; forecasts funds for staffing, equipment, materials, supplies; monitors and approves expenditures; recommends and implements adjustments as necessary. Orders materials and supplies and reconciles with accounting.
- 9. Manages the development and implementation of various recreation programs, activities and events at Santee Lakes, including recreational and community events; coordinates with other organizations (i.e. City of Santee Community Services Department, area school districts, San Diego County Department of Public Recreation etc.).
- 10. Responsible for the management of the Santee Lakes Volunteer Program. Duties include: strategic visioning, staffing, training, problem resolution, establishing goals and objectives; measuring results and continued process improvement.
- 11. Prepares a variety of forms and documents such as customer correspondence, Park maintenance schedules, Board presentations and budget reports.
- 12. Maintain awareness of trends in recreation and park operations and makes appropriate recommendations.
- 13. Performs other duties of a similar nature or level.

# **KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, TRAINING, EXPERIENCE & LICENSING:**

# Knowledge:

- Common public relations courtesies, practices and techniques;
- Occupancy laws and safety and health codes related to managing a recreational park and campground;
- Intermediate Park accounting practices;
- Customer service techniques;
- Budget Management;
- Park & Facility Maintenance practices:
- Contract Management and oversight, best general construction practices, basic plumbing, and electrical knowledge;
- Methods of enlisting the support and cooperation of the public;

- Advanced knowledge of practices and techniques in the area of parks, campground and recreation;
- Safe boat operation;
- PC Network systems and applicable software;
- California Department of Fish & Wildlife laws and regulations. Ability to properly identify fish species;
- First Aid and Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (C.P.R.):
- ADA Requirements, OSHA Guidelines, California Building Codes and how to read record drawings.

#### Skills:

- Monitoring, mentoring and evaluating staff. Long-range planning, monitoring and evaluating staff;
- Developing, interpreting and enforcing policies and procedures;
- Solving problems by gathering, analyzing and interpreting data;
- Utilizing technology based applications to manage and complete different tasks.
- Budget preparation and analysis;
- Proficiency with computer, word processing, email, spreadsheet programs and various office equipment; knowledge of database structures; Ability to handle stressful situations, work under pressure and meet multiple competing deadlines;
- Communication, interpersonal skills as applied to interaction with co-workers, management, the public, etc.., sufficient to exchange or convey information and to receive and regulate work direction;
- Recreation and leisure program administration;
- Interpretation and enforcement of park and campground rules and regulations;
- Reading, writing and performing mathematical calculations at the level required for successful job performance;
- Volunteer program operations and management:
- Establishing and maintaining effective relationships with those contacted in the course of work:
- Operating District Vehicles
- Identify and resolve all safety related hazards within the Park & Campground.

# **Training and Experience:**

Associates Degree in recreation administration, park management, business administration, leisure services or a related field and five years' experience in the field of recreation, park management, community service, hospitality, leisure services, travel and tourism or customer service, preferred **OR** 

An equivalent combination of education and experience sufficient to successfully perform the essential duties of the job such as those listed above.

Bachelor's Degree preferred.

# **Licensing Requirements:**

- Valid California Driver's License.
- CPR and First Aid Certificate