

Public Education Specialist

\$22.14 - \$33.63 Hourly / \$46,051.20 - \$69,950.40 Yearly

MAJOR FUNCTION

Responsible for the public outreach and educational programs for the District. Assists as needed with the surveillance department.

MAJOR DUTIES

Note: The following duties are illustrative and not exhaustive. The omission of specific statements of duties does not exclude them from the position if the work is similar, related or a logical assignment to the position. Depending on assigned area of responsibility, incumbents in the position may perform some or all of the activities described below.

- Develop, organize and coordinate the public education program for the District about prevention and control of mosquitoes, mosquito-borne diseases and District operations.
- Conduct presentations on District operations and mosquito control topics to a variety of public agencies, associations and organizations.
- Coordinate with local school system to participate as needed with science fairs and related activities.
- Develop public relationships. Created, edit and publish multi-media information about mosquito control for the public.
- Plan, organize and conduct presentations about District operations, prevention and control of mosquitoes and mosquito-borne diseases at homeowner and civic associations, clubs, churches, schools and related meetings.
- Plan, organize and conduct demonstrations and displays for mosquito control at special events, county fairs and festivals.
- Maintain District social media platforms.
- Assist as needed with the surveillance department with trap set and pickup, mosquito identification, sentinel chickens and bottle bioassays.
- May apply pesticides during times of increased arthropod activity.
- Perform other duties as required.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILL & ABILITIES

- Have excellent computer skills including proficiency in Microsoft Office.
- Must have good skills in instructing and speaking to large groups, social awareness and flexibility to handle difficult situations.
- Able to interact efficiently and cooperatively with the public in a courteous manner.
- Ability to travel when necessary to attend conferences and meetings, which could involve working nights and weekends.

RECOMMENDED MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

- Bachelor's degree in related studies or graduation from high school with 3 years' experience in public relations.
- Possession of a valid Florida driver's license.
- Must obtain a Public Health Pest Control License within six months from the beginning of employment.

Citrus County Mosquito Control District is a drug free work place and will require a pre-employment drug screening.