# Job Announcement Rochester Hills Public Library Hourly Librarians

**Position:** Substitute/hourly librarians (variable hours per week, including evening and weekend hours, especially Sundays)

**Departments**: Teen and Adult Services, Youth Services, Outreach Services

**Salary**: \$23.00 - \$25.89 per hour (placement may be higher depending on qualifications)

**Benefits**: Flexible work environment, professional development workshops and training. Optional benefits: deferred compensation plan, flexible medical reimbursement plan, and/or dependent care.

## **Important Dates**

Deadline for applications: Open until filled

**Starting date:** ASAP

This person provides professional library information services to patrons of all ages. Such services include reader's advisory and reference services. Librarian positions require responsible, resourceful persons with a broad knowledge base and professional library science training. These employees work in close contact with the public and must understand the principles and techniques of public library service.

### **Primary Job Duties:**

- Provide professional reader's advisory and reference services to customers
- Instruct customers in use of the library and its print and electronic resources
- Maintain awareness of new developments and trends in the field through professional journals, workshops, conferences, etc.
- Work independently within the broad guidelines set by library policies and the library director
- Motivate, establish and maintain effective working relationships with associates, supervisors, volunteers, other community agencies and the public
- Assume responsibilities for supervision of personnel and facilities as directed
- Prepare for emergencies and helps maintain a safe work environment
- Perform related duties as required



#### **Qualifications:**

- Master's degree in library science from an ALA-accredited library school or progress towards same
- Knowledge of the philosophy and techniques of public library service
- Demonstrated knowledge of library materials and resources
- Knowledge of online information resources, computers, software programs (such as Microsoft Windows, Word), and automated circulation system (Polaris)
- Ability to exercise initiative and independent judgment
- Ability to make decisions, and interpret and communicate details about policies
- The desire to meet the public and serve patrons of all ages and abilities
- Positive attitude toward accommodating library users living with disabilities
- Inspired to provide exceptional customer service
- Excellent communication skills, written and verbal, including telephone skills
- Ability to communicate effectively with coworkers in a fast-paced environment
- Dependable and flexible work habits
- Demonstrated ability and/or experience working with Windows-based computers, in several software applications
- Ability to use Google suite of productivity tools
- Ability to work independently and assume responsibility

## Requirements of the role:

- Physical:
  - Seeing; keyboarding; using the telephone; lifting, pushing, pulling or carrying objects weighing up to 50 pounds; walking; bending; stooping; crouching; reaching; carrying books or boxes of books; pushing book carts; picking up litter; spreading ice melt
  - Standing or sitting for periods of time
  - Writing or typing to complete work-related documents

#### Mental:

- Is accurate
- Able to maintain confidentiality of library records and administrative matters
- Good time management: is prompt, flexible, works under short time constraints, and meets deadlines
- Able to interact and work effectively with customers, supervisors, co-workers and volunteers
- Able to retain concentration and poise despite numerous interruptions
- Environmental:
  - Normal interior environment



- Travel:
  - <15% (attendance at local meetings or statewide workshops)</p>

The Rochester Hills Public Library is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

**Application:** Please fill out an employment application at http://www.rhpl.org/jobs and attach a cover letter and resume. If you have questions about the position, please direct them to: Allison Sartwell, Head of Adult Services at allison.sartwell@rhpl.org.

