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**JOB ANNOUNCEMENT**

City of Columbia, Missouri, Human Resources Department
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Position Title: Airport Safety Officer

Department: City Manager

Division: AIRPORT

FLSA Status: Non-Exempt

Union Code/Affiliation: Unrepresented

Starting Salary: \$25.61

Job Code: 02550

Application Deadline: 05/29/2026

Number of Positions Available: 1

Hours:

12 hour shifts rotating every three months

Special Instructions to Applicants:**Job Description** (This job description/posting in no way states or implies that these are the only duties to be performed by the employee occupying this position.)

The purpose of this job is to provide Aircraft Rescue and Firefighting (ARFF) services, certified Emergency Medical Services (EMS) first responder support, and ensure compliance with Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) regulations within the airport operations area at the Columbia Regional Airport. Safety Officers also assist travelers, support airport personnel, and follow all local, state, and federal regulations related to wildlife management within the airport operations area.

Essential Functions:

Responds to aircraft emergencies and crashes to extinguish fires, perform rescues, and provide emergency medical services to victims.

Ensures the safe operation and compliance of the airfield, including runways, taxiways, tarmac, and ramps, in accordance with FAA and Transportation Security Administration (TSA) policies, regulations, and procedures.

Ensures runway and taxiway surface conditions are accurately recorded in compliance with FAA regulations during inclement weather.

Monitors the airport for wildlife hazards and mitigates the hazard using pyrotechnic and other approved devices in accordance with the Wildlife Hazard Management Plan.

Operates, inspects, and performs minor maintenance on crash trucks and emergency equipment, including aircraft extrication tools and equipment

Participates in ongoing training and maintains required certifications and licenses, including FAA Part 139, TSA 1542, Emergency Medical Technician (EMT), and/or First responder certification.

Performs administrative duties, including issuing access control identification, conducting day and night inspections, and maintaining accurate records and documentation.

Instructs airport employees and tenants on standard operating procedures, including Secure Identification Display Areas (SIDAs) and driver training requirements for work on airport property.

Participates in meetings.

Assists passengers with arrivals and departures at the terminal, including curbside support, to ensure a positive customer experience.

Regular attendance is a necessary and essential function.

Performs other duties as assigned.

Education and Experience (An equivalent combination of education, training & experience will be considered):**Education and Experience**

High school diploma or equivalent required. Experience with base fire and medical preferred.

Medical training preferred.

Licenses or Certifications

Valid driver's license.

Aircraft Rescue Firefighting – Part 139 Compliance within one year of hire.

First Responder and/or EMT Certified within one year of hire.

Cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) certification within one year of hire.

Knowledge, Skills & Abilities:**Knowledge of:**

Relevant federal, state, and local laws and ordinances.

Public safety vehicles, equipment, tools, and technology.

Skill in:

Managing critical incidents involving EMS and aircraft rescue firefighting.

Leading fire attack, suppression, rescue operations, and technical rescue efforts.

Operating standard and specialized vehicles and equipment, including those with airbrakes.

Communicating verbally and in writing to meet the audience's needs.

Applying active listening and asking questions for understanding.

Collecting, organizing, and analyzing complex and/or technical data.

Managing time effectively.

Preparing and maintaining detailed and accurate reports.

Ability to:

Acquire and maintain in-depth knowledge of TSA 1542 regulations, FAA 14 CFR, Part 139 requirements, and airport operations procedures.

Exercise sound judgment in making critical decisions.

Provide high levels of effective customer service.

Handle difficult and stressful situations with professional composure and maintain effective interpersonal relationships.

Process and handle confidential information with discretion.

Recognize, analyze, and solve a variety of problems.

Render credible testimony.

Successfully complete an annual TSA background check.

Successfully complete required training.

Work in a constant state of alertness and a safe manner.

Work varied shifts to include nights, weekends, and holidays.

Supervision Exercised:

No supervisory authority. Work may require providing guidance and assisting with training new staff as needed or requested.

Individuals needing accommodation to apply may call 573.874.CITY (2489)

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