## **APPLY TODAY!**

**Job Title:** County Caseworker 2 (Local Government)

<u>Employment Opportunities</u>: Luzerne County Children and Youth Services currently has **24** vacancies for **County Caseworker 2 (Local Government)**.

**Nature of Work:** You will provide services to children and their families to help them attain a more satisfactory social, economic, mental, or physical adjustment to their environment. You will interview clients to obtain social histories; provide comprehensive information about agency programs; determine and verify eligibility for program services; provide referral services and negotiate on behalf of clients for referral services; and formulate and implement social plans of action. An important aspect of the work is the ability to manage a caseload, prepare reports, and keep well-organized records using a computer.

<u>Minimum Requirements</u>: To be considered, applicants must show a bachelor's degree with a social welfare or social work major; **OR** a bachelor's degree which includes, or is supplemented by 12 college credits in sociology, social welfare, psychology, gerontology, criminal justice, or other related social sciences, and 1 year of professional social casework experience in a public or private social services agency; **OR** an equivalent combination of experience and training which includes 12 college credits in sociology, social welfare, psychology, gerontology, criminal justice, or other related social sciences.

**NOTE:** Graduate coursework in social work or the behavioral sciences may be substituted for the required experience.

Applicants also <u>must</u> pass the Civil Service test for the County Caseworker 2 (Local Government) job title.

Applicants who take the test and wish to take it again may be retested **six months** from the date of the previous exam. You must submit a new application to be retested.

The most recent examination result will be the only one counted.

Pennsylvania residency is currently **waived** for this job title.

**NOTE:** Applicants who are final candidates for a position covered by the Child Protective Services Law will have to provide background reports, at their own expense, from sources such as the Pennsylvania State Police and the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services. Applicants who are not Pennsylvania residents also must obtain a report of Federal Criminal History Record Information, at their own expense, from the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Applicants whose background is unacceptable will be disqualified

for employment in such positions. You will receive information about these requirements and how to obtain the required reports at the time you are being considered for employment.

<u>Veterans</u>: Pennsylvania law (51 Pa.C.S. §7103) provides employment preference for qualified veterans for appointment to many state and local government jobs. To learn more about employment preferences and opportunities for veterans, visit www.scsc.state.pa.us, select the Job Seekers link, then the Veterans link; visit one of our offices; or call (717) 787-6039.

**Starting Salary**: \$31,764/annually. Please contact the agency for additional information on the benefits package.

## **Have questions?**

Have job-specific questions about this opportunity? Contact **Mary Grebeck** at **(570) 826-8801**, **ext. 358**, or <a href="mailto:mgrebeck@ohs.luzerne.pa.us">mgrebeck@ohs.luzerne.pa.us</a>.

Have questions about the application and testing process? Please call **(717) 783-3058**.

How to Apply: Apply online at <a href="www.scsc.pa.gov">www.scsc.pa.gov</a>. First-time users must click the Online Services link in the Online Services section in the middle of our home page. Or, click the Online Services link on the right side of the home page. Then click "New User? Register Here" on the following page. Follow the on-screen instructions to create a User ID and password. After establishing log-in credentials, select "View Open Announcements and Apply" from the Online Services menu. Reference announcement #2006-713 for County Caseworkers (Local Government) to begin the application process and schedule your Civil Service exam. Choose county code 40 to indicate employment availability in Luzerne County.

## Location:

Luzerne County Children and Youth Services 111 North Pennsylvania Avenue Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701