

CITY OF AMERY	
Position Description	
Library Associate for Programming and Outreach—Amery Area Public Library (Regular Part-Time)	
Department: Library	Classification: Hourly
Location: Amery Area Public Library	Revision Date: June 2015
Immediate Supervisor: Library Director	

This job description does not constitute an employment agreement between the employer and employee and is subject to change by the employer as the needs of employer and requirements of the job change.

- I. **GENERAL PURPOSE:** Under the direct supervision of the library director, the library associate for programming and outreach is responsible for planning and implementing programs that benefit adults; promoting the library to the community; and participating in the day-to-day operations of the library.

- II. **SUPERVISION EXERCISED:** This position does not have supervisory duties.

- III. **ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:** The duties listed below are intended only as illustrations of the various types of work that may be performed. 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.
 - a. Plans and implements a regular schedule of programs that benefit adults, including ongoing lifelong learning programs and quarterly events.
 - b. Leads the library’s participation in community-based reading programs (e.g. Big Read in the St. Croix Valley) and organizes library-based book discussion programs.
 - c. Delivers booktalks at area nursing homes and assisted living facilities.
 - d. Prepares booklists and promotional materials.
 - e. Works with special populations (e.g. English language learners).
 - f. Provides information and recommendations that can be used for materials selection.
 - g. Collects and organizes statistics related to programming and outreach.
 - h. Participates in regular circulation desk rotation, which includes: charging and discharging materials; receiving and recording fines; interviewing applicants for library cards and verifying identification; answering phones; and assisting patrons with technology.
 - i. Assists patrons with reference questions, reader’s advisory, and the use of the MORE catalog.
 - j. Attends training when directed.
 - k. Performs other related work.

- IV. **DESIRED MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:**
 - a. Education. Bachelor’s degree or equivalent required.
 - b. Experience. One year of experience in a public library or in a service institution with comparable demands and responsibilities (e.g. working directly with the public) preferred.
 - c. Necessary Knowledge, Skills and Abilities.
 - i. Working knowledge of:

1. Computer applications, including Microsoft Office and email.
2. Social media applications (e.g. Facebook).
- ii. Skill in proper and safe operation of:
 1. Personal computers including word processing, spreadsheet, email and Web applications; calculator; phone; copy machine; and other standard office equipment.
- iii. Ability to:
 1. Effectively present information and respond to questions from patrons.
 2. Maintain confidentiality of library patron information.
 3. Follow detailed instructions.
 4. Gather statistics, analyze information and write reports.
 5. Understand library policies and procedures and apply them to library operations.
 6. Work independently, organize and prioritize work, respond to varied/changing work demands and make decisions as required.
 7. Maintain and foster cooperative and courteous working relationships with the public, peers and supervisors.
 8. Maintain skills through active participation in appropriate continuing education activities.
 9. Speak, read and write the English language.
 10. Practice good personal hygiene and dress in a manner appropriate for the position and in conformance with the general business dress standards in the City of Amery.

V. WORKING CONDITIONS.

- a. Physical Demands of the Position:
 - i. Ability to work in confined spaces.
 - ii. Ability to bend/twist/reach.
 - iii. Far vision at 20 feet or further; near vision at 20 inches or less.
 - iv. Fingering: keyboarding, writing, filing, sorting, shelving and processing.
 - v. Handling: processing, picking up and shelving books.
 - vi. Lifting and carrying 50 pounds or less.
 - vii. Pushing and pulling objects weighing 300-400 pounds on wheels.
 - viii. Sitting, standing, walking, climbing, stooping, kneeling and crouching.
 - ix. Talking and hearing; use of telephone.
- b. Environmental/Working Conditions: Flexible working hours—frequent evening and weekend hours.
- c. Equipment Used: Audio-visual equipment, book truck, calculator, camera, cash register, copy machine, library automation system, microfilm reader/printer, telephone, computer.

VI. CITY OF AMERY PERSONNEL POLICIES.

- a. This position is bound by the personnel policies set forth in the City of Amery Personnel Policies manual.

VII. SELECTION GUIDELINES. Formal application, rating of education and experience; oral interview and reference check.