

Chief Juvenile Probation Officer – Wharton County Juvenile Probation Department

Salary Range: \$45,000 – \$60,000/per year (dependent upon experience)

The Chief Probation Officer carries out supervisory responsibilities in accordance with general guidance of standards and policy established by the Wharton County Juvenile Board and the Texas Juvenile Probation Commission. The Chief Juvenile Probation Officer is responsible for oversight of the day-to-day operations of a Wharton County Juvenile Probation Department, which functions to investigate juvenile criminal offenders and to supervise and monitor those juveniles sentenced to probation by the courts, with a focus on rehabilitation.

Requirements:

Eligibility for employment as a juvenile probation officer requires compliance with requirements in accordance with the Texas Human Resources Code § 141.061(a) and Title 27 of the Texas Administrative Code § 349.7(a).

The Chief Juvenile Probation Officer must:

- reside within the boundaries of Wharton County on starting date of employment;
- Master's Degree preferred in a related field or have at least five years of experience in a supervisory or chief officer capacity with a juvenile probation department;
- pass an extensive background investigation;
- possess a valid Texas Driver's License, with a good driving record;
- submit to and pass a mandatory physical examination and drug testing prior to employment;
- be able to perform the essential functions of the position without posing a direct threat to the health or safety of themselves or others;
- possess or have access to a personal vehicle for required performance of essential job functions;
- have good oral and written communication skills;
- serve as liaison and problem solver between community service agencies, other County Departments and the Courts;
- Ensures compliance with local, state, and federal laws;
- plan, implement and direct the various probation programs, service provider contracts and detention services;
- Have a working knowledge of computer technology and computer software.
- Have a working knowledge and understanding of Evidenced-Based Practices as they relate to Juvenile Probation