## ASSISTANT PARA-TRANSIT MANAGER

# **MAJOR FUNCTION**

This is responsible administrative and supervisory work assisting with the management and coordination of the Special Transportation and Community Transportation divisions of StarMetro. Responsibilities include the supervision of the Community Transportation Coordinator (CTC) that coordinates and brokers travel for the various social agencies countywide. Serves as the division manager as needed and oversees the financial responsibilities of contract administration and the auditing, data collection and reporting required by funding and/or regulatory agencies. Assigns staff to resolve all customer service issues related to all StarMetro divisions including responding to citizen inquiries and complaints, oversight of investigation and follow-up with customers. Functions also as the division manager when needed of the United We Guide Program responsible for community transportation planning and travel training for older adults and disabled citizens, matching the needs to transportation options both public and private available in the community. Work also includes overseeing the selection, placement, promotion, training, safety, appraisal, and discipline of division employees and coordinating the repair, preventive maintenance, servicing and cleaning of buses. General direction is received from the Assistant Para-Transit Manager, as well as the department director and or his/her designee, when serving in the division manager role who establishes policies, indicates the desired results, and reviews the work through conversation and reports to determine conformity of results with requirements.

## **ESSENTIAL AND OTHER IMPORTANT JOB DUITES**

## Essential Duties

Supervises staff and developed resources to achieve service standards and goals in the most effective and cost-efficient manner. Evaluates the delivery of service for maximum effectiveness and makes recommendations for improvements. Develops relationships with local agencies for contract transportation. Procures transportation services from vendors, as per established regulations and guidelines, and manages related contracts. Evaluates private transportation providers for operational and regulatory compliance. Plans, schedules, assigns, supervises, and reviews the work of drivers, supervisors, dispatchers, and clerical employees. Coordinates and directs driver training, testing, and other safety, and compliance programs. Takes and/or recommends appropriate disciplinary action for safety violations and misconduct. Supervises and participates in the investigation of customer complaints and takes appropriate follow-up action. Handles driver grievance hearings. Develops operational reports, and performs administrative functions such as overseeing payroll, accounts receivable/payables, purchasing activities, data collection, and the preparation and submission of required reports. Supervises the preparation and administration of the division's budget. Conducts and recommends the selection, transfer, advancement, discipline, grievance adjustment and Enforces disciplinary procedures, effectively appraises employee dismissal of unit personnel. performance and recommends the approval or denial of merit increases. Performs related work as required.

#### Other Important Duties

Represents the department at local and state levels on issues related to transportation disadvantaged programs. Oversees the development and distribution of appropriate information brochures and promotional programs to support the services provided. May serve on ad hoc or cross-functional teams or committees to advocate for issues affecting the paratransit unit. Performs related duties and responsibilities as required.

# **DESIRABLE QUALIFICATIONS**

#### Knowledge, Abilities and Skills

Thorough knowledge of the characteristics and operation of a coordinated transportation system. Considerable knowledge of demand responsive transportation operating principles. Considerable

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knowledge of state and local traffic and other regulations relating to the operations of passengercarrying vehicles. Considerable knowledge of the safe operation and maintenance of passenger carrying vehicles. Considerable knowledge of the principles of supervision, training, and performance evaluation. Ability to coordinate the successful implementation of policies and procedures. Ability to communicate effectively, both orally and in writing. Ability to write reports and maintain files. Ability to plan, schedule and assign transportation personnel and equipment. Ability to plan, organize and supervise work of subordinates in a manner conducive to full performance, high morale, and safe operations. Ability to make accurate cost estimates for special projects requiring the use of transit vehicles. Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships as necessitated by the work. Skill in the use of microcomputers and the associated programs necessary for successful job performance.

## Minimum Training and Experience

Possession of a bachelor's degree in business or public administration, mass transportation, planning, or a related field and four years of public transit related experience; or an equivalent combination of training and experience. Two years of the required experience must have been in a supervisory capacity.

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