

Help Wanted: Local Building Inspector

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

LOCAL BUILDING INSPECTOR \$16.19hr – \$24.79

DEPARTMENT OF INSPECTIONAL SERVICES

Enforces all provisions of 780 CMR, 521 CMR (Architectural Access Board) and any other State statutes, rules and regulations, and ordinances and bylaws, which empower the building official. The building official shall act on any question relative to the mode or manner of construction and materials to be used in the construction, reconstruction, alteration, repair, demolition, removal, installation of equipment and the location, use, occupancy and maintenance of all buildings and structures, except as otherwise specifically provided for by statutory requirements or as provided for in 780 CMR 104.

Explains, interprets and provides guidance regarding all applicable codes within area of responsibility to architects, engineers, contractors, developers and other interested parties.

Works with departments to review residential properties that pose a health safety or risk to the community and are abandoned. Undertakes activities associated with code, safety and health review of violations specifically on abandoned properties targeted by the Housing Task Force. Conducts an initial visual inspection of abandoned residential properties to identify the occupancy status and the nature and extent of health, safety or code violations. For properties identified for the Attorney General Receivership Program shall undertake a more comprehensive review of all safety, health and code violations on the interior and exterior of selected properties. Prepares written reports citing specific

violations in accordance with local/State building and health codes that will be utilized to present to the New Bedford Housing Court.

In accordance with the provision of M.G.L. C. 143, section 3, each Local Building Inspector shall have at least five years of experience in the supervision of building construction or design; or a four-year degree in a field related to building construction or design; or an Associate's degree in a field related to building construction or design; or any combination of education and experience, which would confer equivalent knowledge and ability as determined by the BBRS. In addition, such persons shall have had general knowledge of the accepted requirements for building construction, fire prevention, light, ventilation and safe egress; as well as a general essential for safety, comfort and convenience of the occupants of a building or structure. Certification by the BBRS in accordance with the provisions of 780 CMR R7, the Rules and Regulations for the Certification of Inspectors of Buildings, Building Commissioners and Local Inspectors preferred; or Ability to obtain certification within eighteen (18) months of appointment (if not currently certified). Municipalities may require additional qualifications or experience as are deemed necessary.

Possession of a valid Massachusetts driver's license or ability to obtain one by the start of employment. Must have a Criminal Offender Record Information (CORI) check, mandatory by MGL Chapter 6 Sec. 172C.

For complete job description and application instructions, visit www.newbedford-ma.gov. Applications will be accepted until a suitable candidate is found. **New Bedford has a residency requirement.** EEO