



# Applying for Jobs at the City of Portland

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# Creating an Account

The first step in your search for a career at the City of Portland is creating an account. This will allow you to apply for jobs and submit your application materials online. The city no longer accepts paper applications so this is a necessary steps in applying for a position at the city.

Below are detailed steps in creating your account.

Step 1: Visit the City of Portland's Employment Center at <http://www.portlandoregon.gov/bhr/54930>

Step 2: Select Create Applicant Account

The screenshot shows the top navigation bar of the Bureau of Human Resources website. The header includes the logo, the text 'Office of Management & Finance', 'Bureau of Human Resources', and the tagline 'Knowledgeable | Helpful | Responsive'. Contact information for phone and benefits lines, and the address '1120 SW Fifth Avenue, Rm 404, Portland, OR 97204' is also present. A horizontal menu contains links for 'City Employees', 'To Be Deleted', 'Our Services', 'Staff Directory', 'Forms Library', 'Administrative Rules', 'BHR Employees', and 'Onboarding Toolkit'. Below this is a breadcrumb trail: 'Our Services > Diversity, Outreach and Employment Resources > Employment Center'. On the left, a vertical sidebar lists various links, with 'Create Applicant Account' highlighted by a blue arrow. Below the sidebar is an 'RSS' subscription button and a 'MOST POPULAR' section. The main content area is titled 'Employment Center' and features a 'Manage Slideshow' button. The primary image is a black and white photograph of maintenance road crew members working with a concrete mixer truck. Below the image, the text reads 'Maintenance Road Crews' and 'Find employment with the City of Portland's Transportation, Water or Environmental Services Bureau'.

Step 3: The Job Search page will appear, select Create an Account to begin creating your applicant account. Note: If you have an existing account, enter your username and password to Sign In.

Sign in to apply [Create an account](#)

\*Username or Email

\*Password

Sign In

[Forgot Username](#) | [Reset Password](#)

or sign in with

[in](#) LinkedIn [f](#) Facebook

- Enter a valid email address and create a username

Create a new account [Sign In](#)

\*Email ⓘ

\*Username

\*Password

Create

or create with

[in](#) LinkedIn [f](#) Facebook

- Create a strong password
  - Letters
  - Numbers
  - Capitals
  - Symbols

.....|

\*Confirm Password

This field is required

Create

or create with

in LinkedIn f Facebook

- Confirm password by entering your unique password again. Select Create

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Create

You have created your Applicant Account. **TIP:** Write your login information somewhere you will not lose it!

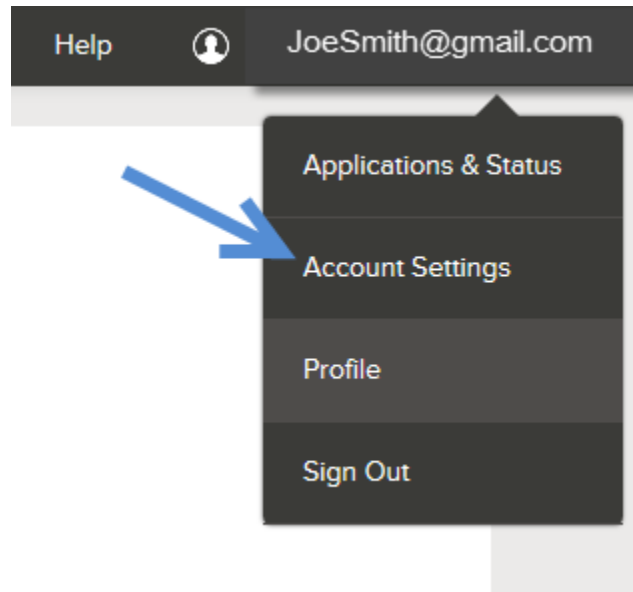
The next step will be to enter some basic contact information. The city will use this information during the application process when you apply for a City Of Portland jobs.

Step 4: The Applications dashboard will open, your profile information will appear at the top right. Select your email address

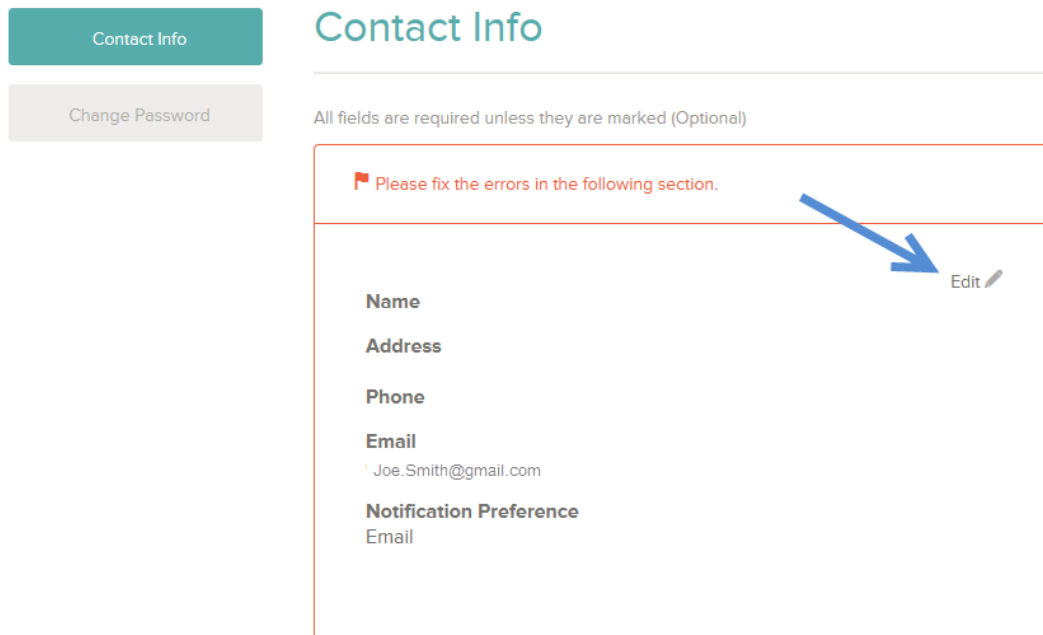
Job Search Help JoeSmith@gmail.com

Applications Submitted Incomplete

- From the drop down menu, select Account Settings.



- In the Contact Info screen you will see all information fields are blank, select Edit to add your information.



Note: Required fields are indicated by color and text. Be sure to enter all required fields. This will allow the city to contact you regarding employment.

Contact Info

Change Password

## Contact Info

All fields are required unless they are marked (Optional)

<u>Name</u>		
First	M (Opt.)	Last
Joe		Smith
<u>Address</u>		
Address Line 1		
1234 Anywhere Lane		
Address Line 2 (Optional)		
City		
Portland		
State		
Oregon		
Zip Code	Country	
97204	US	

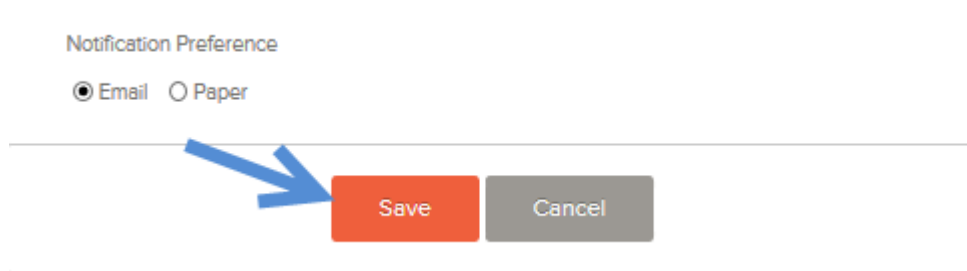
Enter your Primary phone number and Email Address. The information you provide here is very important as it will be the way the city will contact you regarding your application. Note: your email address needs to be entered exactly as it appears in your profile.

JoeSmith@gmail.com

<u>Phone</u>	
Primary (Optional)	Primary Ext
555-555-5555	
Alternate (Optional)	Alternate Ext
Email Address	
JoeSmith@gmail.com	

Indicate your preferred contact method as Email. Any city notifications regarding application status will be done via email.

Select Save to complete this step.

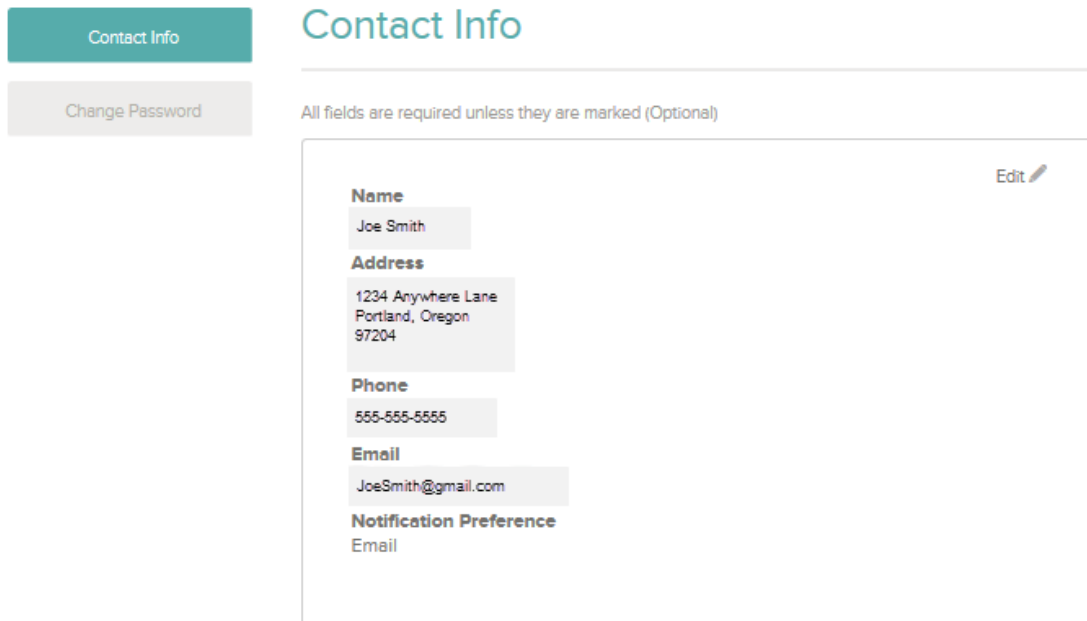


Notification Preference

Email  Paper

**Save** Cancel

The Contact Info screen will reflect your entries. Verify the information is accurate, make edits if necessary.



Contact Info

Change Password

All fields are required unless they are marked (Optional)

**Name** Joe Smith Edit

**Address**  
1234 Anywhere Lane  
Portland, Oregon  
97204

**Phone**  
555-555-5555

**Email**  
JoeSmith@gmail.com

**Notification Preference**  
Email

You have now created your account and entered basic required information

The next step is finding a job.



# Finding a Job

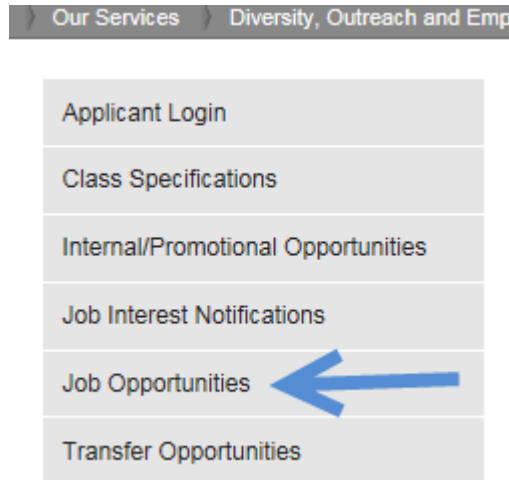
Now you are ready to find a job.

Step 1: Return to the City of Portland's Employment Center at <http://www.portlandoregon.gov/bhr/54930>

Step 2: When your browser loads select Job Links on the left side of the screen

The screenshot displays the Bureau of Human Resources website. The header includes the logo, 'Office of Management & Finance', 'Bureau of Human Resources', and contact information: 'PHONE: 503-823-3572', 'BENEFITS LINE: 503-823-6031', and '1120 SW Fifth Avenue, Rm 404, Portland, OR 97204'. A navigation bar contains links for 'City Employees', 'To Be Deleted', 'Our Services', 'Staff Directory', 'Forms Library', 'Administrative Rules', 'BHR Employees', and 'Onboarding Toolkit'. Below this, a breadcrumb trail shows 'Our Services > Diversity, Outreach and Employment Resources > Employment Center'. On the left, a 'Job Links' menu is highlighted with a blue arrow, listing options such as 'Employment Information', 'Internships/Workstudy', and 'Recruitment Process Forms'. The main content area, titled 'Employment Center', features a 'Manage Slideshow' button and a large image of road crew members. Below the image, the text reads: 'Maintenance Road Crews Find employment with the City of Portland's Transportation, Water or Environmental Services Bureau'. At the bottom left of the page, there is a 'Subscribe to RSS' button and a 'MOST POPULAR' section header.

## Step 4: When the Job Links page opens select Job Opportunities



## Step 5: At this point you have now left the City of Portland webpage

Wednesday, October 28, 2015

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**NEOGOV™**

Welcome to City of Portland's Application Process.

If this is the first time you are using the NEOGOV system, please visit our Employment Center for instructions on creating your account.

Once your account has been established, simply click on the job title you are interested in, then click on the "Apply" link. Build your application by clicking on the "Build Job Application" link and following those instructions. If you experience problems please call NEOGOV's customer service number 1-855-524-5627.

Applications will not be accepted after 4:30 PM on the closing date.

### Search Criteria

All Categories are automatically selected. To change the results, deselect and reselect the categories by using the Clear All/Select All buttons or by clicking on the check boxes. To reset the search criteria, click 'Clear Search' at the bottom of this box.

Select Category			Select All Categories	Clear All Categories
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 911 Telecommunications (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accounting and Finance (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Administration (1)		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Business (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Code Enforcement (2)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Communications (2)		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Construction Maintenance (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Criminology (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Emergency Management (2)		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Environmental Services (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Executive Management (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Forestry (1)		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grounds & Landscaping (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Housing (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IT and Computers (1)		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Maintenance (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Management (3)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Natural Resources (1)		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Office and Administrative Support (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Parks (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Parks and Recreation (2)		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Program Management (3)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Project Management (3)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Transportation (2)		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Urban Forestry (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Utilities (1)			

### Search

Enter keywords (optional):  [Explain this](#)

[Go](#) or [Clear Search](#)

[Print this page](#)

12 records found.

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Position	Emp. Type	Salary	Closing Date
<a href="#">Assistant Hydro Power Project Manager</a>	Full Time	\$6,066.00 - \$8,115.00 Monthly	11/02/15
<a href="#">NEW! Capital Project Manager III</a>	Full Time	\$6,357.00 - \$8,545.00 Monthly	11/16/15
<a href="#">NEW! Debt Manager</a>	Executive	\$8,496.00 - \$11,866.00 Monthly	11/13/15
<a href="#">Electrician / Instrument Technician</a>	Full Time	\$34.86 - \$37.62 Hourly	10/30/15
<a href="#">NEW! Emergency Communications Supervisor</a>	Full Time	\$5,773.00 - \$7,708.00 Monthly	11/09/15
<a href="#">Environmental Investigations Manager</a>	Full Time	\$7,356.00 - \$9,796.00 Monthly	11/09/15
<a href="#">NEW! Home Security Specialist</a>	Full Time	\$3,109.00 - \$4,452.00 Monthly	11/06/15
<a href="#">Housing Construction Coordinator</a>	Full Time	\$29.17 - \$38.67 Hourly	11/09/15
<a href="#">NEW! Program Coordinator (Emergency Coordinat</a>	Full Time	\$5,496.00 - \$7,330.00 Monthly	11/16/15

**Step 6:** To open a job announcement hover over the job title and click.

<a href="#">BES System Development Division Manager</a>	Full Time	\$7,356.00 - \$9,796.00 Monthly	11/20/15
<a href="#">Capital Project Manager III</a>	Full Time	\$6,357.00 - \$8,545.00 Monthly	11/16/15
<b>NEW!</b> <a href="#">Community Garden Technician</a>	Full Time	\$21.87 - \$29.29 Hourly	11/20/15
<a href="#">Debt Manager</a>	Executive	\$8,496.00 - \$11,866.00 Monthly	11/13/15

The job announcement will open. Continue to Reviewing the Job Announcement for further details.

**Note:** The city posts jobs every Monday morning.

# Reviewing the Job Announcement

Once you find a position that interests you, it is very important to read the job announcement thoroughly.

The first thing to note is the job closing date. You will find this at the very top of the announcement. Some of our announcements will close early when a certain number of applications are received. It is extremely important to apply as soon as you can.

**Job Title:** BES System Development Division Manager (Development Services Manager)

**Closing Date/Time:** Fri. 11/20/15 4:30 PM Pacific Time

**Salary:** \$7,356.00 - \$9,796.00 Monthly

**Job Type:** Full Time

**Location:** Multiple Locations, Oregon

If a job has an application limit you will see a message similar to this.

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The Position

Benefits

Supplemental Questions

**Applications for this position will be accepted on-line until 75 applications have been received, but will close no later than Monday, November 23, 2015 at 4:30PM.**

**Applications received after the 75 application limit has been reached will not be included in this recruitment process.**

The Assistant Business Systems Analyst in the Business Solutions Division of the Bureau of Revenue and Financial Services is responsible for, with supervision, working with internal and external bureau customers and software vendors to translate business and operational requirements into designs and specifications for workable information technology solutions. The incumbent's primary support role is with the City's utility billing and customer information system, Cayenta Utilities (CU), and its peripheral components.

The second most important piece of the announcement is found under the “**To Qualify**” section. Here you will find the minimum qualifications required to be eligible for the position.

**To Qualify:**

**The following minimum qualifications are required for this position:**

1. Experience with system administration and business operations in customer information systems, experience in the Cayenta Utilities is preferred.
2. Experience developing and executing test plans; documenting work processes; and developing business requirements for information systems.
3. Knowledge of principles and methods of information systems analysis, including business process mapping and entity relationship analysis tools and methods.
4. Knowledge of general functions, capabilities, characteristics and limitations of standard computer platforms and devices as they apply in performing business and systems analyses.
5. Ability to communicate system changes effectively to a diverse audiences of technical and non-technical personnel both orally and in writing.
6. Ability to work collaboratively with team members, Bureau of Technology Services (BTS) and other information system staff and customer groups to ensure project accountability.

Next you will see “The Recruitment Process” and “Additional Information” sections.

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**The Recruitment Process:**

An evaluation of each applicant’s training and experience, as demonstrated in their cover letter and resume weighted 100%. Only candidates who meet the minimum qualifications will be placed on an equally ranked eligible list. You have 14 days from the notice of the examination results to let us know if you disagree with your results. Please read the City of Portland Administrative Rule 3.01 for complete information. **Additional evaluation may be required prior to establishment of the eligible list and/or final selection.**

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**Additional Information:**

**Application Instructions**

**Applicants must submit a cover letter and professional resume online, specifically focused on your qualifications for this position as identified in the “To Qualify” section of this announcement in accordance with the following Application Instructions:**

Your résumé and cover letter will be the basis for our evaluation of your qualifications for this position. Incomplete or inappropriate information may result in disqualification.

- Your cover letter should include details describing your education, training and/or experience, and where obtained which clearly reflects your qualifications for each of the numbered items in the “To Qualify” section of this announcement.
- Your résumé should support the details described in the cover letter.
- **If you are requesting Veteran’s Preference, as identified below, please describe in your cover letter any transferrable skills obtained during your military service and how they relate to each of the required minimum qualifications under the “To Qualify” section above.**
- Your résumé and cover letter should be no more than a *total of four (4) pages combined*.

Applications will be accepted until 75 applications have been received but will close no later than **4:30 pm, on closing date of this recruitment. E-mailed and/or faxed applications will not be accepted. Applications received after the 75 application limit has been reached will not be included in this recruitment process.**

*If you are requesting **Veteran’s Preference**, attach a copy of your DD214 / DD215 and / or Veteran’s Administration Letter stating your disability to your profile, as well as checking the box identifying yourself as a Veteran. You must request Veteran’s Preference AND include a copy of your documentation for each recruitment you apply for.*

*Veteran’s Preference documentation must be submitted no later than 4:30 PM on the closing date of this recruitment.*

Here you will find what type of information the city collects for the specific recruitments. The city commonly collects a resume and cover letter detailing experience and education, but you will also see announcements asking for a work history or license.

**TIP:** Write your supporting documents specifically addressing the minimum qualifications. Provide as much detailed information as possible.

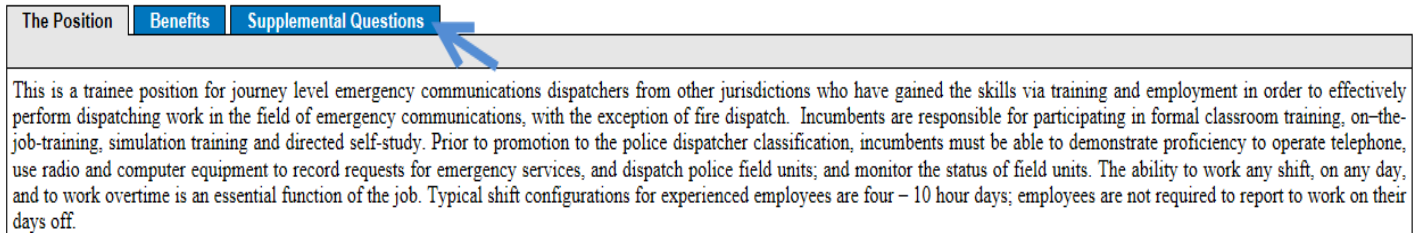
**TIP:** Be as specific as you can. Give examples of how you demonstrate these qualifications in either your experience or training.

**TIP:** Only submit documents requested in the job announcement. If not specifically asked for, please do not attach them.

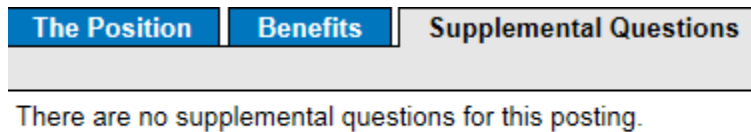
**TIP:** Save documents in either Word or unsecured PDF formats.

Some applications have Supplemental Questions. These are a series of questions that help the hiring manager in the selection process. Keep the minimum qualifications in mind when answering any supplemental questions.

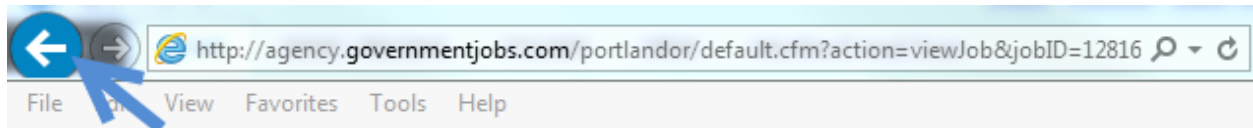
To ensure Supplemental Questions are not required, select the Supplemental Questions tab.



If none are required, the text will indicate:



When you have completed your review, you may select the back arrow at the top left to return to the job announcement page.



Or visit [www.portlandoregon.gov/jobs](http://www.portlandoregon.gov/jobs).

## Ready to Submit

Let's take a look at what you have completed so far:

1. You have created your account.
2. Found a job that you want to apply for.
3. Thoroughly reviewed the job announcement.
  - a. Read and reread!
4. Drafted your supporting documents (resume and cover letter, etc.), specifically addressing all minimum qualifications in the job announcement.

### So what's next??

Now you are ready to submit!

To submit your application:

1. Visit [www.portlandoregon.gov/jobs](http://www.portlandoregon.gov/jobs).
2. Click on the job you have drafted your supporting documents for.
3. In the upper right corner click "Apply".

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**Job Title:** Assistant Business Systems Analyst

**Closing Date/Time:** Mon. 11/23/15 4:30 PM Pacific Time

**Salary:** \$4,106.00 - \$6,325.00 Monthly

**Job Type:** Full Time

**Location:** Portland Building, 1120 SW 5th Ave, Oregon

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4. If you were not previously logged in, (or if the screen has timed out) you will be taken to the login screen. Log in with the unique login you created during the "[Creating an Account](#)" section.
5. You will be directed to the specific job application.

Crime Analyst

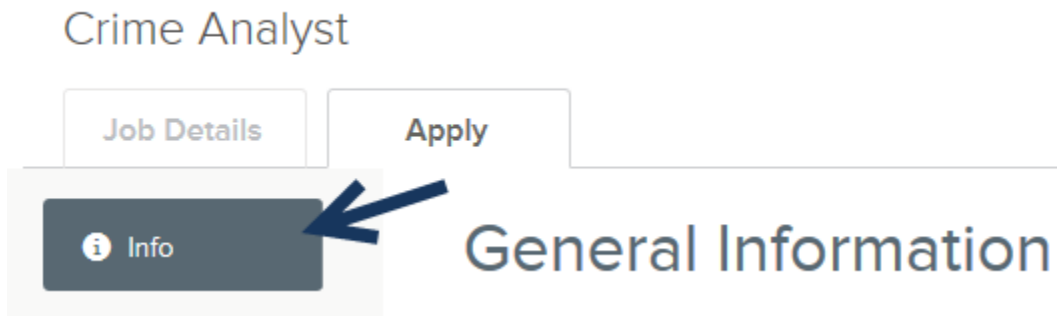
Job Details

Apply

 Info

General Information

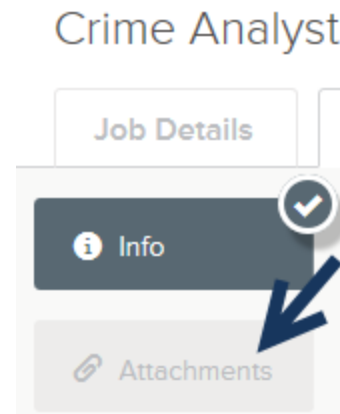
6. Verify your information is correct by reviewing the Info tab.



You can edit your information by selecting the edit button and following the steps as shown in the Creating an Account section.

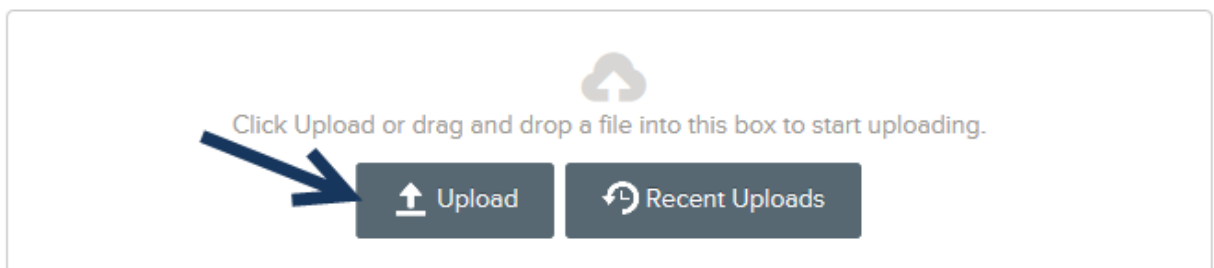


7. Continue by attaching your supporting documents. Select the Attachments button.



8. Upload required documents. For example, a cover letter may be required for the position. Select Upload to begin uploading your cover letter.

#### Cover Letter \*



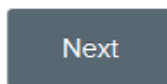


9. Load your cover letter from your computer. The system will upload your file and the title will be displayed.

**Cover Letter \***

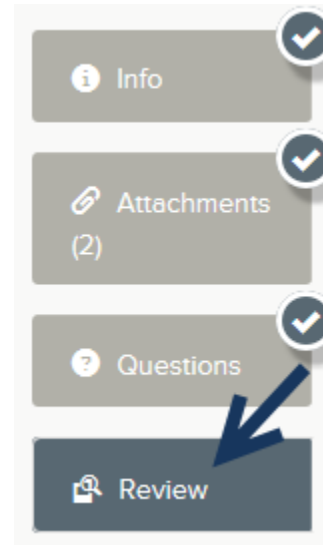


Continue upload steps for all required documents. Select Next.



The system will guide you through all required steps, select next after completing each section. The sections will vary depending on the recruitment. NOTE: You must complete all required sections to ensure your application will be processed.

10. Once all sections have been completed, you will see the Review section. Review all of your information for accuracy and completeness. Continue by selecting the Proceed to Certify and Submit button at the bottom right of the screen.



Once your application has been successfully submitted you will receive an email from “no-reply NEOGOV”. This email will indicate that your application has been received.

**TIP:** If you do not receive this email reach out to the Sr. Human Resource Analyst assigned to the recruitment noted at the bottom of the announcement.

*Questions?*

Albert Abellton, Senior Human Resources Analyst

Albert Abellton@portlandoregon.gove

(503) 823-0000

# Application Communication

## **When will you hear from us?**

In the event of a recruitment delay or extension you will receive an email from “no-reply NEOGOV”. This does not mean that you have to re-apply for the position it is simply letting you know that there has been a delay.

## **How do I know if I have been placed on an eligible list?**

Once the applications have been reviewed and an eligible list has been established you will receive an email letting you know whether or not you have been placed on an eligible list.

Beyond this point any further communication will come directly from the hiring bureau.

## **What if I am placed on a list but do not get a call?**

The hiring process can take time. So please be patient, allowing the hiring bureau to review the list of eligible candidates.

If you have not received a call/email within a month, you can reach out to the Sr. Human Resource Analyst and they will often times be able to reach out to the hiring bureau requesting a status update on your behalf.

## Job Interest Notifications

Job Interest Notifications are a tool used by the City to notify applicants about positions they may be interested in. Below are instructions for signing up and receiving job interest notifications from the City.

1. Visit <http://agency.governmentjobs.com/portlandor/default.cfm?action=openjobrequest&>
2. This will take you to the City's Job Interest Notification page. You will see categories similar to what you saw on the City's Job page.
3. Select any number of areas of interest. Then fill out the "Job Interest Card" below the categories. This will provide us with your contact information.
4. Once you have filled out the required fields and selected your areas of interest, select "Submit Request" at the bottom of the screen.
5. From the time this request is submitted, you will start receiving emails letting you know when we open a job that fits into one of your areas of interest. This request is valid for one year. At the end of the year you will need to submit another request.

## Tips

- When creating a NEOGOV account, only fill in the **required** fields marked with an orange border, this will save you some time in the application process.
- Make sure to read and reread the job announcement.
- Have a friend review resume and cover letter.
  - A fresh set of eyes may catch an error.
- Be prepared for your interview, the City typically uses one of two interview processes.
  - **Panel interviews**, typically consist of 3-6 panel members and can be directed by the panel or self-paced by you.
  - **Speed interviews**, these are used to narrow the application pool. Speed interviews offer you a time to shine. Show them what you got!
- Dress appropriately for the job you are applying for!

## Veterans Preference

### **I am a veteran, how do I receive preference?**

Attach a DD-214 or SF-215

### **I am a disabled veteran, how do I receive preference?**

Attach a DD-214 or SF-215 as well as your Veterans Preference Letter

### **What if I do not have my veteran's documents?**

Visit <https://www.ebenefits.va.gov/ebenefits/homepage> and download a digital copy of your veteran's documentation.

## Quick Links

<a href="https://www.governmentjobs.com/Applications/Index/portlandor">https://www.governmentjobs.com/Applications/Index/portlandor</a>	The City of Portland's unique NEOGOV login
<a href="http://www.portlandoregon.gov/jobs">www.portlandoregon.gov/jobs</a>	The City of Portland's job page
<a href="http://www.portlandoregon.gov/bhr/">http://www.portlandoregon.gov/bhr/</a>	The Bureau of Human Resources page
<a href="https://multcolib.org/">https://multcolib.org/</a>	Find a library where you can access a computer and internet
<a href="http://www.worksourceoregon.org/">http://www.worksourceoregon.org/</a>	Get help preparing your resume and cover letter, prepping for your interview, and knowing what to expect
<a href="https://www.ebenefits.va.gov/ebenefits/homepage">https://www.ebenefits.va.gov/ebenefits/homepage</a>	Get your veterans documentation

## Who do you call?

### **What if I need help?**

If you have any questions regarding a specific recruitment you can email the Sr. Human Resource Analyst assigned to the recruitment. This information is found at the bottom of the announcement.

### **What if it's the weekend?**

Call NEOGOV's customer service line:

1-888-NEOGOV1

1-888-636-4627