



# CITY OF GUNNISON, COLORADO

## JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

### HEAD LIFEGUARD

#### THE POSITION

The City of Gunnison is seeking a qualified individual to fill a full-time Head Lifeguard position.

The Head Lifeguard organizes and administers aquatic programs, in-services, and provides assistance in the mechanical and chemical operations of the pools, locker rooms, maintenance and repair of the building, and natatorium HVAC systems.

#### THE COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS

The starting salary range for this position is **\$38,000 to \$44,600** per year plus benefits, based on qualifications.

The City of Gunnison offers a competitive benefit program, which initially includes three weeks of paid vacation, twelve days of paid sick leave and twelve paid holidays. 5% of the employee's gross pay is matched by the City in a defined contribution retirement program. The City pays 75% of health insurance premiums for the employee and dependents, offers free access to doctors at any time via its Teledoc program, provides an Employee

Assistance Program for free counseling, legal and financial assistance and offers a free membership to the City's Community Center.



#### THE IDEAL CANDIDATE

The successful candidate will have a combination of training and experience substantially equivalent to the following:

- High school diploma or GED equivalence. Experience in management (preferably in pool and recreation programs), staff supervision, successful team building and staff development or any combination of educations and experiences.
- Experience in swim instruction, training and certification.

- Have an understanding of water chemistry, chlorination, pool mechanical systems and preventative maintenance, risk management in the aquatic setting.
- Possession of Lifeguard, First Aid and CPR/AED certifications.
- Desired: Possession of Red Cross certification in water safety instruction (WSI), lifeguard training instruction (LGI), and first aid and CPR instruction.
- A complete criminal history background check is required.

## THE LOCATION

The City of Gunnison was recognized by Outdoor Magazine as one the "The 16 Best Places to Live in the U.S.: 2016". Gunnison is known for its natural beauty and amazing year-round recreational opportunities. The Gunnison River is home to the country's largest Kokanee salmon run and the biggest concentration of trout in Colorado. Blue Mesa Reservoir is the state's largest body of water and is ideal for many recreational activities. Hartman Rocks, located approximately two miles south of the City, includes base-area trailhead facilities, and an 8,300-acre recreation area managed by the Bureau of Land Management.

Ranked among the Top 100 Critical Access Hospitals in America, we are home to Gunnison Valley Hospital. Western State Colorado University is a four-year institution with outstanding programs, including a variety of graduate programs.

The Gunnison-Crested Butte Regional Airport, located in Gunnison, serves the community with air service on United during the summer and off-seasons and United, American, and Alaska during the winter. Gunnison is located within a short drive to three ski areas including Crested Butte Mountain Resort and Monarch Mountain. And our Gunnison Watershed School District provides quality education as well.

City park facilities are superb and offer an incredible 110 acres of park land/1000 people in relation to the national average of 10 acres/1000, featuring an NHL-sized indoor ice rink and Olympic-sized outdoor covered rink and a 45,000 square foot Community Center, with an indoor aquatics area, climbing wall and other recreation facilities.

## HOW TO APPLY

*The first review of applications will be September 18, 2020. The position is open until filled.*

*Visit the City's website at [www.GunnisonCO.gov/HR](http://www.GunnisonCO.gov/HR) or the Finance Department at 201 W. Virginia Ave. to apply.*

*Call (970) 641-8070 for more information.*