POSTING DATE: September 26, 2022 **CLOSING DATE:** October 7, 2022

CRIME LABORATORY DIVISION

MISSOURI STATE HIGHWAY PATROL

CAREER OPPORTUNITY BULLETIN

JOB ID: 1882

TITLE: **LABORATORY EVIDENCE TECHNICIAN I OR II**

DESCRIPTION: A Laboratory Evidence Technician position exists within Missouri State Highway Patrol's Crime Laboratory Division. The official domicile for this position is Carthage, Missouri. This position is classified as non-exempt under the Fair Labor Standards Act. Click HERE to view our employee benefits.

POSITION SUMMARY: This is a technical position where the employee is responsible for receiving, securing, and returning physical evidence submitted to the laboratory by law enforcement agencies for analysis in criminal cases. Work involves general clerical duties (e.g., answering telephone inquiries, typing, and maintaining various laboratory records and files, etc.); cleaning; working with biological and chemical hazards; communicating with law enforcement agencies, attorneys, and various state agencies in reference to cases or evidence samples. An employee in this position may come in contact with contaminated materials while handling evidence.

Click HERE for a more detailed job description.

QUALIFICATIONS: The following represents the minimum qualifications used to accept applicants, provided that equivalent substitution will be permitted in case of deficiencies in either experience or education.

Laboratory Evidence Technician I: Possession of high school diploma or equivalent.
Laboratory Evidence Technician II: Possession of a high school diploma or equivalent and two years as a Laboratory Evidence Technician I or comparable experience.

NECESSARY SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: Must provide a DNA sample to be used only for forensic identification as required at the time of appointment.

Must be able to pass a polygraph examination after conditional offer of employment.

Must submit to periodic random drug testing.

SALARY RANGE (Semi-monthly): The minimum starting salary is $1,300.00; however, salary may be commensurate with experience.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE: Individuals, including current Patrol employees, interested in this position must visit our website at https://statepatrol.dps.mo.gov/ to complete and submit an application prior to the application deadline. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of the application. Individuals who have previously completed an application must access their profile in the system to re-apply.

Interview boards are tentatively scheduled for the week of October 24, 2022. The tentative start date for this position is within 30 days of the interview.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Final selection may be based upon several factors, e.g., results of an oral interview, written examination or exercise, review of past work performance, performance evaluations, and/or candidate's possession of the knowledge, skills, and abilities deemed necessary for successful performance in the job.

Once a job offer has been made, employment with the Missouri State Highway Patrol is contingent upon the successful results of a polygraph examination, background investigation, and Patrol administered drug test. The Missouri State Highway Patrol is a Drug Free Workplace.

Polygraph Examination: The applicant must undergo and successfully complete a polygraph examination, administered by a Patrol polygraphist. The polygraph examination can be stressful for some applicants. Conditions such as hypertension, pregnancy, respiratory or heart ailments, etc., may affect the results of the polygraph examination. While there is no medical evidence that a polygraph examination affects a person's health, applicants are encouraged to discuss this step with their physician prior to the examination to determine if it is suitable for them to be tested. If an accommodation is needed, the applicant must discuss this with the Human Resources Division at the time the examination is scheduled. Those applicants who are pregnant will not be tested until after the birth of the child. All applicants are required to sign a waiver form prior to taking the polygraph examination. The areas covered in the polygraph examination are as follows: employment history, traffic record, financial history, past and current illegal drug usage, record of criminal convictions, and basic honesty.

Some Patrol duties relate to criminal activity. Therefore, employees may be exposed to written material, photographs, and/or verbal language of a sexual nature. The requirements of this position are not intended to create a hostile work environment; however, it is work of an extremely sensitive nature. A copy of the Missouri State Highway Patrol policy on sexual harassment is available upon request.

To be eligible for employment with the Patrol, applicants must meet all dress and appearance requirements. Click HERE for more details about dress and appearance requirements.

EEO STATEMENT: The Missouri State Highway Patrol is an equal opportunity employer. All qualified applicants will be considered for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, veteran status, ancestry, sexual orientation, or disability.

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