

Sutter County

The Heartland of the Sacramento Valley

HEALTH OFFICER



Our Vision

Sutter County endeavors to promote innovation in business and industry while embracing community-wide collaboration and preserving the integrity of our rich, diverse cultural heritage.

COMMUNITY

Sutter County is one of California's original 27 counties, founded in 1850, and named after one of the state's more engaging and complex historical personalities, and an agricultural visionary, John Augustus Sutter. He was one of the first to recognize the Sacramento Valley for its potential as an agricultural empire. Hock Farm, just south of Yuba City, was the site of the valley's first large agricultural enterprise. Today, the majority of Sutter County's 608 square miles is still prime agricultural and grazing land.

Recreational and outdoor opportunities are plentiful and the area's Mediterranean climate provides for year-round activities. From hiking to biking through the 'world's smallest mountain range' the Sutter Buttes; fishing the rivers; hunting; bird-watching at Gray Lodge Wildlife Area along the Pacific Flyway.

Ethnically and culturally diverse, the County boasts one of the largest Sikh populations in the U.S. and every November hosts the Sikh Parade. In addition, annual events around the County include the Yuba City Summer and Christmas Strolls, the Live Oak Festival, 4th of July Parade, the Nicolaus Labor Day Parade, the Yuba-Sutter Fair and numerous philanthropic activities hosted by a myriad of non-profit and civic organizations.



GOVERNMENT

The County's FY17-18 budget is \$308.1 million and is supported by 20 departments that provide a broad variety of services such as law enforcement, development services, general services, health and human services, public works, and veteran's services. The County seat, Yuba City, was ranked as one of the 2015 "Best-Performing Small Cities" in America by the Milken Institute, which recognizes trends and factors that power regional growth.

The Sutter County Board of Supervisors serves as the legislative body for the County and provides policy direction for all branches of County government. The five-member Board is responsible for enacting ordinances and resolutions, adopting the annual County budget, levying taxes, and approving formal contracts and agreements. There are also six elected department heads: Assessor, Auditor-Controller, Clerk-Recorder, District Attorney, Sheriff-Coroner and Treasurer-Tax Collector.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

This is an exciting time to join Sutter County's Health and Human Services (HHS) Department's team.

HHS has an integrated delivery system of public health, behavioral health, child welfare, adult services, public authority, public guardian, and public assistance programs. The Health Officer position is an integral part of the Executive Leadership Team providing valuable input in the development of all programs within HHS to ensure public health priorities are included. Sutter County is unique in that we administer the only bi-county behavioral health system in California providing behavioral health services for both Sutter and Yuba counties through a Joint Powers Agreement.

The department has 500 permanent positions and a recommended operating budget of \$118.8M for FY 2018-19.

A new Health and Human Services building is in the design phase with an anticipated move in date of Spring 2020. This new HHS building will house all services in a central location for ease of community access.

Proposed HHS building



HEALTH OFFICER

The Health Officer, under administrative direction of the Board of Supervisors and the Director of Health and Human Services, plans, organizes, directs and coordinates the activities of assigned medical programs; enforces local health orders, ordinances, and regulation as prescribed by the California Department of Public Health and the State statutes pertaining to the protection of public health; assesses the community health status; advises the governing body concerning health issues. This is an at-will, single-position classification appointed by the Board of Supervisors and which reports to the Director of Health and Human Services. The position serves as the Health Officer in accordance with Section 101000 of the Health and Safety Code.

Essential duties include, but are not limited to:

- Collaborate with the Health and Human Services Executive Leadership Team, including the HHS Director, Behavioral Health Director, and five branch directors in support of the department's values and mission.
- Work closely with the Public Health Branch Director – Public Health in planning, organizing, and directing the activities and programs of the Public Health Branch.
- Enforces all applicable statutes, orders, regulations and rules relating to public health.
- Assists in making decisions regarding the investigation, diagnosis and treatment of communicable diseases.
- Directs the detection and control of communicable diseases, sexually transmitted diseases, and tuberculosis.
- Directs public health education & the operation of adult, child, and school health programs.
- Directs the recording of vital statistics, acts as the County Registrar for birth and death certificates.
- Approves all prescriptions dispensed by staff other than a Doctor of Medicine (MD) or Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (DO) in the public health branch.
- Conducts immunization programs.
- Administers a diagnostic and treatment program for individual patients under jurisdiction of the position.
- Confers with members of the public and representatives of federal, state and local agencies regarding health department programs; cooperates with federal and state public health groups in the enforcement of health matters.
- Reviews technical requirements, reports and procedures generated by the public health branch.
- Prepares public health information materials and news releases.
- Reviews and countersigns various medical charts, reports and documentation; makes recommendations as appropriate.
- Consults with physicians, nurses, patients, staff members, other county departments, agencies, or other individuals in the diagnosis of, and investigation of, cases of suspected communicable disease and to exchange information or provide recommendations; takes measures to prevent and control epidemics.

IDEAL CANDIDATE

Will be a strong advocate for access to quality health care in our community, including active engagement with the county and community partners, presenting local health access issues and solutions at various meetings and functions. Will provide leadership on public health initiatives, the benefits of integrating public health, behavioral health, and social services programs, and the implementation of health policies aimed at improving our community health indicators.

Ability to plan, organize and direct public health programs within professional standards, legal requirements and financial constraints; analyze situations accurately and take effective action; interpret laws, regulations and standards pertaining to public health; communicate effectively both orally and in writing; speak effectively in public; establish and maintain effective working relationships with patients, staff members, other departments, agencies, and public groups and organizations.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE

Graduation from a recognized medical school approved by the Council of Medical Education and Hospitals of the American Medical Association with a degree of M.D., or graduation from a recognized osteopathic medical school approved by the American Osteopathic Association with a degree of D.O. (Master's Degree in Public Health desirable), and progressive supervisory or administrative experience in a health department. Possession of a valid physician's and surgeon's license issued by the State of California either through the Board of Medical Quality Assurance or the Board of Osteopathic Examiners to practice medicine in the State of California.

COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS

- Salary: \$162,167 - \$228,203 Annually
- PERS Retirement Plan
- Medical, Dental, Vision, and Life Insurance
- Flexible Spending Accounts
- County-Paid Term Life Insurance of \$150,000 for employee and \$5,000 for dependents
- Holidays: Thirteen (13) paid holidays per year
- Paid Sick Leave: Twelve (12) days per year accrued
- Vacation: Eleven (11) days a year up to five years of service; fifteen days up to ten years; seventeen days up to fifteen years; twenty days thereafter
- Paid Administrative Leave: Thirteen (13) days of paid leave per year - Any unused leave may be converted as taxable compensation or converted to a Deferred Compensation Plan
- Deferred Compensation Program: Employees who are hired into the PERS 2% at 60 or the 2% at 62 retirement benefit formula who are enrolled in the County-sponsored Deferred Compensation Plan receive \$25 per pay period deposited into their account



THE SELECTION PROCESS

Qualified candidates are encouraged to apply immediately by submitting a completed application and are also invited to provide additional information in resume form.

Interested candidates can apply online at
www.CalOpps.org

For additional information
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Closing Date: January 3, 2019

Sutter County is an equal employment opportunity employer.



It's a great time to work for Sutter County!