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SENIOR ACCOUNTANT I, SENIOR ACCOUNTANT II, OR CHIEF ACCOUNTANT

\$60,154 - \$99,070

Plus Excellent Benefits

Apply by **July 18, 2021**(First Review, Open Until Filled)





OVERVIEW

Klickitat County is looking to fill one position in their finance department, where the ideal candidate will fit the role of a Chief Accountant. It is the intent of Klickitat County to hire one individual for this position, where he or she's title will be determined by extent of experience and qualifications. Each of these positions are distinguished based on levels of education and experience, as well as scope, breadth and complexity of responsibility. The Chief Accountant typically possesses the highest level of education, most extensive experience, and will be assigned the greater scope and breadth of responsibility and complexity of assigned tasks. This is an excellent opportunity for a talented finance professional to play a key role in enhancing an already well-managed and stable organization with dedicated employees.

KLICKITAT COUNTY, WASHINGTON



Located in south central Washington, Klickitat County lies at the junction where the Columbia River Gorge cuts through the eastern slopes of the Cascade

Mountains with expansive farms and wheat fields, vineyards, timberland, and magnificent Mt. Adams as a backdrop. The county seat, historical Courthouse and the largest city is located in Goldendale.

Encompassing 1,908 square miles, the County's nearly 22,000 residents reside in the cities of Goldendale, White Salmon and Bingen, and unincorporated communities of Bickleton, Centerville, Dallesport, Firwood, Glenwood, Klickitat, Lyle, Maryhill, Roosevelt, Trout Lake, and Wishram. Klickitat County offers a wide variety of geological and natural features and is well known for its miles of whitewater streams, numerous lakes, the Columbia River, and the Gifford-Pinchot National Forest. The County is also home to the Klickitat Wildlife Management Area and Conboy Lake National Wildlife Refuge.

With a mild year-round climate, the area is the perfect place to take advantage of an abundance of outdoor recreational activities from fishing and hunting to whitewater rafting, windsurfing, hiking, biking, horseback riding, cross country skiing, snowmobiling, and berry and mushroom picking.

Scenic tours provide opportunities to thousands of travelers and visitors to the Columbia River Gorge and the Cascade Mountains, while an expanding winery and grape growing industry offers many award-winning wines at several tasting rooms that are open to the public. The County also offers a wide variety of accommodations, attractions, and historical landmarks including the Maryhill Museum, Stonehenge, Goldendale Observatory, numerous restaurants, and beautiful mountain views of Mt. Hood and Mt. Adams.

Visitors and residents also will find that Klickitat County's canyons and vistas, evergreen forests, scenic waterfalls, wildflowers, berry fields, ranchlands, sage-covered hillsides, river rapids, rodeos, festivals, and for those who seek it, seclusion, are among the best in the U.S. Being a rural close-knit community, Klickitat County is a glorious place to call home, raise a family, and be employed.

THE ORGANIZATION

Klickitat County is governed by a three-member Board of Commissioners serving overlapping fouryear terms, with each Commissioner representing one of three districts. The Commissioners serve as the Executive Branch and perform legislative and quasi-judicial functions of the County. The Board of Commissioners is responsible for approving ordinances, adopting the County budget, setting standards for the use of County property, and appointing non-elected officials, boards, commissions, and committees. In 2021 the County will move into a new County Services Building to combine departments currently housed in 4 annexes, making it more accessible to the community. The County has two other services buildings; the Pioneer Center in White Salmon, and the Courthouse in the county seat. Goldendale.



Klickitat County employs approximately 250 FTE's and operates on a 2021 budget of \$77,694,529 including a General Fund Budget of \$18,347,018. County Departments and Elected Officials Offices include: Adult Probation Services, Assessor, Auditor, Building Inspection and Compliance, Civil Service, Commissioners, County Clerk, East and West District Courts, Economic Development, Emergency Management, IT & Budget Services, Juvenile Department, Natural Resources, Human Resources, Planning, Prosecuting Attorney, Public Health, Public Works, Senior Services, Sheriff, Solid Waste, Treasurer, Veteran Services, Weed Control, WSU Extension Services, and Superior Court.

THE DEPARTMENT & POSITION

As a part of the Auditor's office, the selected candidate will work with the financial services division where duties may entail the control and issuance of disbursements, financial accounting and reporting, grant accounting, payroll, and fixed asset inventory.

Under the direction of the Chief Deputy Auditor, each position has similar yet unique duties. Each position is also included in an upcoming compensation review.

In general, each position performs complex professional level accounting activities including financial activity management related to budget compliance, payroll, accounts payable, reporting, modified and full accrual accounting, grants management, implementation and monitoring of fiscal procedures in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), Budgeting, Accounting & Reporting Systems (BARS); county, state and federal policies and procedures. Maintains detailed accounting transactions in an integrated computer accounting system. This position is responsible for completing the Annual Report in compliance with BARS for cash-basis entities and also provides financial support to lower-level accounting staff and departments utilizing the financial system. To view the full scope of responsibilities and requirements for each position, please view each job description at the below corresponding link.

Senior Accountant I Job Description

Senior Accountant II Job Description

Chief Accountant Job Description

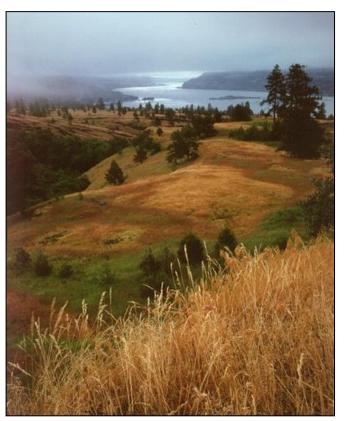
IDEAL CANDIDATE PROFILE

Education and Experience:

Any combination of education, skills and experience that demonstrate an ability to excel in one of the three positions may be considered. Typical demonstration of the minimum education and experience for might include an undergraduate degree from a four-year college or university in accounting, finance, or related field and four (4) to six (6) years of administrative accounting experience or an Associate degree in accounting and eight (8) to ten (10) years of progressively responsible bookkeeping in a public agency utilizing fund accounting and/or in a public accounting firm servicing clients who use fund accounting.

The ideal education and experience would be a Certified Public Accountant with a bachelor's degree in accounting, finance, or related field and eight (8) or more years of related, progressively responsible administrative accounting experience in a public agency utilizing fund accounting and/or in public accounting firm servicing clients who use fund accounting. A CPA is required for the Chief Accountant position title.

Please view the attached document <u>here</u> for an overview of the full qualifications of each position.



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COMPENSATION & BENEFITS

- > \$60,154 \$99,070 DOQ
- Medical, Vision and Dental with 100% employer paid contributions for employee only and 84% contributions for dependent coverage
- Health Savings Account
- Life Insurance/AD&D
- Long-term Disability Insurance
- Washington State PERS Retirement System
- Sick and Vacation Leave
- 11 Paid Holidays
- Optional Flexible Spending Account

To learn more, please visit: www.klickitatcounty.org



Klickitat County is an Equal Opportunity Employer. All qualified candidates are strongly encouraged to apply by **July 18, 2021**. (First review, open until filled), Applications and materials will only be accepted electronically. To **apply online**, go to **www.prothman.com** and click on "**Open Recruitments**" followed by "**Senior Accountant I, Senior Accountant II, or Chief Accountant – Klickitat County, WA**" and follow the directions provided, visit **www.governmentjobs.com/careers/klickitatcounty,** or <u>click here</u>.



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