

**COUNTYWIDE ENTERPRISE IT DIRECTOR**  
(Administrative Manager III)

**DEFINITION**

Manages a County IT Division or Program within the Central County Information Technology department through multiple subordinate unit managers or supervisors. Duties include supervising/managing others through subordinate supervisors/managers; giving direction to staff; making program and policy recommendations to central IT executive management; setting the vision/mission for the assigned program or division; establishes division or program goals and objectives and ensures attainment of them; exercises a significant level of discretion and accountability in program decisions and work to be accomplished, including changing priorities for subordinate staff within the scope of assignment; directs the management of projects; performs other related duties as assigned.

**DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS**

This is the highest level in the County, central IT management class, which is distinguished from the first and second levels by the broader scope and complexity of managing a Countywide program or function, that creates policy and standards for all agencies/departments. Incumbents report to Executive Management, working from general directives or broadly defined missions of the assigned department. Incumbents may directly supervise a variety of management, supervisory, professional, technical and/or other support staff.

**EXAMPLES OF DUTIES**

- Develops IT division or program strategic plans, objectives and priorities.
- Determines IT organizational structure, staffing needs, and work strategies.
- Works in conjunction with budget staff to develop and administer annual IT budget; approves and tracks expenditures; reviews and approves costs for new hardware, software and other items; reviews, approves and prepares cost/benefit analyses, reports and recommendations.
- Manages the development of operational and/or functional standards, practices, policies and procedures; participates in the development and implementation of strategic department goals, policies and priorities.
- Supervises the work of professional, technical and/or other employees through subordinate supervisors/managers; ensures that they have adequate resources to perform their duties; ensures that assigned operations and activities comply with organization goals and objectives.
- Assumes responsibility for staff development and training; evaluates employee performance; identifies individual training needs and works to ensure those needs are met.
- Designs, directs and oversees work section quality assurance activities.
- Meets and consults with customers and vendors regarding service delivery needs; oversees the design, development, delivery and/or implementation of IT products to meet those needs.
- Oversees the development of specifications for "requests for proposal" pertaining to external services; reviews submissions and provides recommendations on vendor selection.
- Works with purchasing staff for procurement of services and goods required.

- Directs the management of projects to enhance and/or upgrade technology services and utilization.
- May manage large complex projects that require varying levels of staff and resource support.
- Prepares reports, correspondence and other documents; participates on committees and task forces; attends meetings, conferences and training sessions.
- Performs other related duties as assigned.

## **MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS**

### Knowledge of:

- Principles and practices of public administration, including budgeting, staff development, customer service and human resource management.
- Principles and practices of management, supervision and leadership.
- IT best practices, standards, policies and procedures.
- Computer hardware and software systems similar to those being used by the hiring department, including business applications, operating systems, and network systems.
- Advanced project and portfolio management principles, practices and techniques.
- Advanced principles, methods and techniques used in designing, developing, testing and implementing information technology applications, systems and networks.
- Advanced operations, services, concepts, terms and activities common to a comprehensive, state-of-the-art information technology program.
- Advanced information technology development lifecycle and design principles.
- Advanced methods and techniques of evaluating business need requirements to provide technology solutions.
- Database design, standards, and operational processes.
- Advanced operational characteristics of local and wide area network systems.
- Advanced operational characteristics of communication systems, equipment and devices.
- Principles and practices of customer service.
- Methods and techniques of developing and presenting technical documentation and training materials.

### Ability to:

- Plan, organize and manage and direct the work of information technology staff.
- Manage and supervise subordinate employees who perform professional information technology work through subordinate managers.
- Develop work and operating plans and methods to ensure that assigned work areas are functioning in the most effective and efficient manner.
- Develop and maintain comprehensive procedures manuals and documentation.
- Develop and monitor the budget for the assigned program or division.
- Coordinate and administer a variety of information technology projects.
- Gather and evaluate information in order to reason logically, draw valid conclusions, take appropriate actions and/or make appropriate recommendations.
- Communicate technical information to a wide variety of users.
- Adapt quickly to changes in policies, procedures, assignments and work locations.
- Communicate effectively, both orally and in writing.
- Establish and maintain effective working relationships with those encountered during the course of the work.

### Education/Experience:

One year of experience as an Administrative Manager II with the County of Orange;

OR

Five (5) years of responsible information technology-related experience that provided the knowledge and abilities identified above;

A bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university with major coursework in computer science, information systems or a closely related field may substitute for two (2) of the required years of experience.

College level education or training directly related to the competencies and attributes required of the position may be substituted for up to one year of required experience at the rate of three semester units or the equivalent, equaling one month of experience and one hour of training equaling one hour of experience.

College level education or training beyond a bachelor's degree, which is directly related to the competencies and attributes required of this position, may be substituted for up to an additional year of required experience at the rate noted above.

Special Requirements: Depending upon assignment, demonstrated professional level experience and/or certification pertaining related to the duties of the position may be required.

## **PREFERRED EXPERIENCE/EDUCATION**

Experience: Two (2) years of information technology experience equivalent to an Central IT Domain Manager or Information Technology Manager II or 12 years information technology-related experience that provides the knowledge and abilities identified above.

Education: Possession of a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university with major coursework in computer science, information systems or a closely related field that has provided the candidate with a sound conceptual understanding of information technology concepts. Post-graduate education beyond a bachelor's degree which directly enhances the knowledge required for this position is preferred.

Special Requirements: Depending upon assignment, demonstrated professional level competency and/or certifications pertaining to the discipline to which the incumbent is assigned may be required.

## **PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS**

All Positions:

Possess vision sufficient to read standard text and a computer monitor; speak and hear well enough to communicate clearly and understandably in person to individuals and groups and over the telephone; possess body mobility to stand, sit, walk, stoop and bend routinely to perform daily tasks and to access a standard office environment; possess manual dexterity sufficient to use hands, arms and shoulders repetitively to operate a keyboard, utilize office equipment and to write; use a County approved means of transportation.

Some Positions:

May be required to possess one or more of the following: the ability to climb, bend, stoop, twist and reach overhead in rugged conditions to review/evaluate work; manual dexterity and bodily movement sufficient to operate various types of equipment in extreme conditions; lift up to fifty pounds.

## **MENTAL REQUIREMENTS**

All Positions:

Possess the ability to independently reason logically to analyze data, reach conclusions and make recommendations; possess the ability to remain calm and appropriately focused in rapidly changing and difficult situations involving conflict, complex issues, controversy and diverse stakeholder groups and interests; possess the ability to deal calmly and effectively with emotional interactions.

Some Positions:

May be required to possess the ability to handle emotional client situations effectively.

## **ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

Additional physical/mental requirements or frequencies may be required, depending upon assignment. Depending upon assignment, some positions in this class may require possession of a valid California driver's license, Class C or higher.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS**

Work is typically performed in an indoor office environment, but occasionally requires travel to other locations. Work environments may include high levels of noise, dust and/or unpleasant odors. Occasional early morning, evening, holiday and/or weekend work may be required.

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