# **EEO Utilization Report**

## Organization Information

Name: Lee County Board Of County Commissioners

City: Fort Myers

State: FL

Zip: 33901

Type: County/Municipal Government (not law enforcement)

### **Step 1: Introductory Information**

### **Policy Statement:**

It is the policy of Lee County BoCC to provide equal opportunity in employment to all employees and applicants for employment. No person is to be discriminated against in any and all terms, conditions and privileges of employment as defined by local, state and federal laws, rules or regulations based upon race, sex, religious belief, color, national origin, ancestry, disability, age or any other category of protected persons.

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ADOPTED: MAY 11, 1994 (REVISED: JUNE 20, 2017)

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### **201:1 GENERAL PROVISIONS**

- The County may, consistent with applicable law, choose to establish programs to achieve prompt and full utilization of minorities, the disabled, Wartime-era or disabled veterans and women at all levels and in all segments of the work force. The results of the program(s) are to be reviewed periodically and modified as necessary to achieve their stated objectives.
- 2. The County, as a matter of policy and practice, shall not:
  - a) Fail or refuse to hire or to discharge any individual or otherwise discriminate against any individual with respect to compensation, terms, conditions, or privileges of employment, because of such individual's race, sex, religious belief, color, national origin, ancestry, disability, age, genetic information or any other category of protected persons; and
  - b) Limit, segregate, or classify employees in any way which would deprive or tend to deprive any individual of employment opportunities or otherwise adversely affect the status as an employee, because of such individual's race, sex, religious belief, color, national origin, ancestry, disability, age, genetic information or any other category of protected persons.

### 201:2 EMPLOYMENT

- The Human Resources Director or designee(s) is responsible for formulating, implementing, coordinating and monitoring all efforts in the area of equal employment opportunity. These may include, but are not limited to:
  - a) Assisting management in collecting and analyzing employment data;
  - Developing policy statements and programs emphasizing recruitment and retention techniques designed to comply with the equal employment policies of the County;
  - c) Complying with various statutory record-keeping and notice requirements in order to ensure full compliance with all employment-related statutes and regulations;
  - d) Assisting supervisory personnel in arriving at solutions to specific equal opportunity related personnel problems; and



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- e) Keeping employees informed of the latest developments in equal employment opportunity laws and regulations.
- 2. Any communication from an employee or applicant for employment, an external agency or an attorney concerning any equal employment opportunity matter is to be referred to Human Resources.
- 3. While overall authority for implementing this policy is assigned to Human Resources, an effective equal employment opportunity program cannot be achieved without the support of supervisory personnel and employees at all levels. Any employees or applicants who feel they may have been subjected to any form of employment discrimination have a responsibility to report this fact to their supervisor and/or Human Resources.

### 201:3 COMPLAINT PROCEDURE

1. Employees or applicants having reason to believe they may have been subjected to discrimination or harassment, including sexual harassment, are urged to bring those concerns to the attention of their immediate supervisor, department director, the Director of Human Resources or designee(s), up to the County Manager, as appropriate. The complaint procedure is detailed in Section 202:3 of the Policies and Procedure Manual regarding the investigation procedures. Confidentiality and prohibition of retaliation apply to any complaints of discrimination.

### 201:4 REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION RE: THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

- The County will provide a reasonable accommodation to an otherwise qualified disabled employee or applicant, unless or until the accommodation imposes an undue hardship on the County. Human Resources will assist departments in the reasonable accommodation process for those employees with a qualifying disability, in order to enable them to perform the essential functions of their job.
  - a) Employees who are diagnosed by a health care provider as having a disability, as that term is defined by applicable law, and who want a reasonable accommodation to enable performance of essential job functions, should inform Human Resources or Employee Health Services of their need as soon as possible. The employee's medical condition will be kept confidential as required by law. It is the employee's responsibility to request the accommodation(s) desired.
  - b) Employees who have a disability and who want an accommodation must provide Employee Health with any pertinent medical records regarding diagnosis, and those records requested by the County to make decisions regarding job assignments, ability to continue working or ability to return to work.



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- c) The County will also require a doctor's certification of an employee's ability to perform duties safely. Additionally, the County may request that an employee submit to a medical examination if it believes the employee is a direct health or safety threat to himself/herself or others.
- d) In attempting to reach a reasonable accommodation with a person with a qualifying disability the County will consult with the person with the disability in a sincere effort to reach an accommodation that will permit the employee to perform the essential functions of the job.

### Step 4b: Narrative of Interpretation

The Lee County Director of Human Resources reviewed the Utilization Analysis and noted the following:

- 1. Hispanic or Latino males were significantly underutilized in the Skilled Craft job category (-15%).
- 2. White females were significantly underutilized in the Officials/Administrators (-13%), Professionals (-8%), Technicians (-13%) and Service/Maintenance (-14%) job category(s).
- 3. Black or African American females were significantly underutilized in the Technician (-8%), and Administrative Support (-4%) job category(s).
- 4. Asian females were significantly underutilized in the Professionals (-1%) job category.

When compared to the 2019 EEOP, improvement in utilization was noted in the following:

- 1. White females are no longer significantly underutilized in the Skilled Craft job category.
- 2. Hispanic or Latino males utilization increased in the Office/Administration (+2%) job category.
- 3. White female utilization increased in the Administrative Support (+2%) job category.
- 4. Hispanic or Latino males utilization increased in the Service/Maintenance (+1%) job category.

### Step 5: Objectives and Steps

- 1. 1. To encourage increased application for all underutilized categories while maintaining effective utilization where it currently exists, Lee County will increase communication of employment opportunities by:
  - a. continuing to attend a diverse array of local job fairs such as the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Job Fair;
  - b. meeting with Career Counselors of local Technical Schools, Colleges and Universities and providing them with a list of County position classifications along with a link to the associated position descriptions and vacancy postings;
  - c. utilizing our County Libraries as well as Parks and Recreation facilities located throughout Lee County (the relevant labor market) to provide equal access to information about available positions;
  - d. meeting with minority organizations such as the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, the Lee County NAACP, Southwest Florida Dress for Success, as well as College and University Diversity and Inclusion Councils and providing to them a list of County position classifications along with a link to the associated position descriptions and vacancy postings
  - e. Human Resources Talent Acquisition staff will review the applicant pool for positions that have shown significant underutilization for the specific race/gender groups noted above to determine if these groups were under-represented in the applicant pool. Based on the findings of their review, the Talent Acquisition staff will create a recruitment plan for implementation within six months to improve participation by under-represented groups

### Step 6: Internal Dissemination

- 1) A copy of this EEOP will be on file in Human Resources.
- 2) A copy of this EEOP will be provided to Lee County's Office of the County Manager, and Office of the County Attorney.
- 3) A copy of this EEOP will be provided to the Chairman of the Lee County Board of County Commissioners.
- 4) A copy of this EEOP will be posted on the Lee County Employee Portal.
- 5) A copy of this EEOP will be provided to all Department Directors.

### Step 7: External Dissemination

- 1) A copy of this EEOP will be posted on the Lee County public website.
- 2) A link to this EEOP will be placed on the Lee County public Job Vacancies website page.
- 3) A copy of this EEOP will be provided to members of the public upon request. Requests may be made via phone at 239-533-2245 and via e-mail to oeo@leegov.com.

# Utilization Analysis Chart Relevant Labor Market: Lee County, Florida

				Male	<u>e</u>							Female	ale			
	White	Hispanic	Black or	American	Asian	Native	Two or	Other	White	Hispanic	Black or	American	Asian	Native	Two or	Other
Job Categories			American	Alaska Native		or Other Pacific	Races					Alaska		or Other Pacific	Races	
						Islander								Islander		
Officials/Administrators																
Workforce #/%	%85/99	11/10%	4/4%	%0/0	%0/0	1/1%	2/2%	2/2%	21/18%	2/2%	2/2%	%0/0	%0/0	%0/0	%0/0	3/3%
%/# STO	15,055/54	15,055/54 1,550/6% %	390/1%	35/0%	115/0%	%0/0	124/0%	120/0%	8,885/32	910/3%	495/2%	40/0%	120/0%	%0/0	%0/59	15/0%
Utilization #/%	4%	4%	2%	%0-	%0-	1%	1%	1%	-13%	-2%	%0-	%0-	%0-	%0	%0-	3%
Professionals																
Workforce #/%	282/35%	45/6%	14/2%	%0/0	5/1%	%0/0	9/1%	6/1%	333/41%	53/7%	32/4%	2/0%	2/0%	%0/0	10/1%	10/1%
%/# STO	10,695/33	785/2%	515/2%	%0/0	500/2%	%0/0	100/0%	45/0%	16,110/50	1,715/5%	1,175/4%	45/0%	440/1%	%0/0	165/1%	%0/92
Utilization #/%	2%	3%	%0	%0	-1%	%0	1%	1%	-8%	1%	%0	%0	-1%	%0	1%	1%
Technicians																
Workforce #/%	301/44%	78/11%	13/2%	3/0%	2/0%	%0/0	11/2%	6/1%	211/31%	37/5%	9/1%	1/0%	3/0%	%0/0	11/2%	5/1%
CLS #/%	1,965/30	360/5%	175/3%	%0/0	4/0%	%0/0	%0/0	35/1%	2,825/43	455/7%	285/9%	%0/0	110/2%	%0/0	30/0%	10/0%
Utilization #/%	14%	%9	-1%	%0	%0	%0	2%	%0	-13%	-2%	-8%	%0	-1%	%0	1%	1%
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Protective Services: Non-sworn											,					
Workforce #/%	/0	0/	/0	0/	0/	/0	/0	/0	/0	/0	/0	/0	/0	/0	/0	/0
Civilian Labor Force #/%	235/44%	25/5%	65/12%	%0/0	%0/0	%0/0	%0/0	%0/0	180/34%	24/5%	%0/0	%0/0	%0/0	%0/0	%0/0	%0/0
Utilization #/%																
Administrative Support																
Workforce #/%	22/14%	1/1%	2/1%	%0/0	1/1%	%0/0	1/1%	%0/0	100/65%	17/11%	1/1%	1/1%	1/1%	%0/0	4/3%	3/2%
%/# STO	21,070/28	3,295/4%	21,070/28 3,295/4% 1,305/2%	%0/08	425/1%	%0/0	%0/02	%0/06	36,675/50	7,090/10	3,115/4%	45/0%	330/0%	%0/0	155/0%	235/0%

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	White	Hispanic	Black or American	American	Asian	Native	Two or	Other	White	Hispanic	Black or	Black or American	Asian	Native	Two or	Other
40		or Latino	African	Indian or		Hawaiian	More			or Latino	African	Indian or		Hawaiian	More	
Job Categories			American	Alaska		or Other	Races	3			American	Alaska		or Other	Races	
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						Islander								Islander		
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Skilled Craft															æ	
Workforce #/%	279/77%	45/12%	12/3%	6/2%	%0/0	%0/0	5/1%	2/1%	9/5%	3/1%	%0/0	%0/0	%0/0	%0/0	%0/0	%0/0
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Utilization #/%	17%	-15%	-2%	1%	%0-	%0	1%	%0-	-1%	-1%	%0-	%0	%0-	%0	%0	%0
Service/Maintenance																
Workforce #/%	174/49%	58/16%	42/12%	5/1%	1/0%	%0/0	5/1%	%0/0	42/12%	%8/6	14/4%	%0/0	%0/0	%0/0	1/0%	1/0%
%/# STO	20,145/32	20,145/32 11,555/18 2,985/5%	2,985/5%	25/0%	630/1%	%0/0	170/0%	270/0%	16,655/26	16,655/26 5,820/9% 3,790/6%	3,790/6%	%0/09	615/1%	15/0%	205/0%	195/0%
Utilization #/%	18%	-2%	7%	1%	-1%	%0	1%	%0-	-14%	-7%	-2%	%0-	-1%	%0-	%0-	%0-

# Significant Underutilization Chart

				Male	ø							Female	ale			
	White	Hispanic	Hispanic Black or American		Asian	Native	Two or	Other	White	Hispanic	Black or	Hispanic Black or American	Asian	Native	Two or	Other
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			American Alaska	Alaska		or Other	Races				American Alaska	Alaska		or Other	Races	
				Native		Pacific						Native		Pacific		
						Islander								Islander		
Officials/Administrators									7							
Professionals			,		7				7				7			
Technicians									7	ď	7	٠	7	v	7	
Administrative Support	7	7									7					
Skilled Craft		7														
Service/Maintenance									7	7						

I understand the regulatory obligation under 28 C.F.R. ~ 42.301-.308 to collect and maintain extensive employment data by race, national origin, and sex, even though our organization may not use all of this data in completing the EEO Utilization Report.

I have reviewed the foregoing EEO Utilization Report and certify the accuracy of the reported workforce data and our organization's employment policies.

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