



# Sewerage & Water Board Of New Orleans

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## **SEWERAGE AND WATER BOARD TO HOST HIRING DAY TO FILL 50 VACANT POSITIONS**

NEW ORLEANS— The Sewerage and Water Board is hosting a focused hiring event on Friday, July 13<sup>th</sup> at Xavier University in the Convocation Center Annex Building from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. This event will fill several targeted vacancies through an expedited process. The agency's goal is to fill 50 vacant positions.

"We are looking forward to beginning this process of filling all vacant positions at the Sewerage and Water Board," said Acting Executive Director Jade Brown-Russell. "This agency's greatest asset is our team and in order to work at our full capacity we need hardworking individuals to answer the call to serve their city. The folks who work here at every level are integral in ensuring we fulfill our mission to provide safe, clean water to everyone in New Orleans, remove waste water for safe return to the environment, and drain away storm water."

This hiring day will allow S&WB hiring managers to make several important hires in an expedited process in order to fulfill Phase 1 of a plan to fill all available positions. The agency is beginning to plan Phase 2 of this hiring effort.

The agency is encouraging individuals seeking employment with the Sewerage and Water Board to visit [www.swbno.org/jobs.asp](http://www.swbno.org/jobs.asp) to review available positions and apply online for jobs for which they are qualified ahead of the event. Many people will receive calls over the course of the next week to come interview on Friday, July 13<sup>th</sup>.

The day will include informational sessions about jobs that are traditionally difficult to fill because of the challenges in finding qualified individuals. For these positions, candidates will have the opportunity to apply on the spot.

This event is closed to press. However, there will be a press conference at the end of the event, at 3:45 p.m., for media that has RSVP'd to D'Seante Parks at [dparks@swbno.org](mailto:dparks@swbno.org) or 504-913-4170.

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### **Background:**

At first glance, it appears that the Sewerage and Water Board has more than 500 vacancies that have been sitting unfilled. However, between April 2016 and April 2018, we added 463 positions. These are budgeted positions that did not exist before. The Sewerage and Water Board employs about 1,300 people and is expanding to better serve the people of New Orleans. The agency hired 574 new employees between June 2016 and April 2018. Part of the current vacancies is due to the 395 employees lost since June 2016 to retirements, resignations and terminations.

The management team looks forward to filling all of the vacancies so that the agency is operating at full capacity.

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