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# HONOR ROLLS

South Fulton High School recently announced the students included on the Gold Honor Roll for the fourth nine weeks period of the 2025-2026 school year.

Ninth grade students included on the Gold Honor Roll are Jamison P. Barclay, Brea M. Becerra, Abigail G. Bellamy, Hunter B. Bradley, Hayden R. Bye, Jakob W. Cooley, Kinley G. Cox, Hadlee G. Davidson, Parker R. Dowdy, Avery A. Faulkner, Gage M. Hancock, Harlee K. Jackson, Justin B. Jones, Samantha L. Mann, Lilie M. Martin,

Alli C. McFarland, Abigail F. Moran, Rylee J. Morris, Audriana B. Mulcahy, Liam D. Nabors, Lillian D. Nabors, Salaiyah T. Shaw, James D. Wells, and Carly A. Whitlow.

Students in 10th grade included on the Gold Honor Roll are Alayasia M. Cooley, Jozsef G. Joyner, Gabrielle A. Long, Carlisle A. Lusk, Josue D. Mendoza Rodriguez, Cooper H. Taylor, and Kaylin I. Tucker.

Students in 11th grade include on the Gold Honor Roll are Samantha J. Auxier, Skylar B. Burcham,

Parker L. Burden, Logan A. Copeland, Adam L. Davis, Gavin A. Dixon, Seth C. Dunn, Hannah E. Emily, Abigail M. Hardy, Emma G. Howes, Lexie G. Martin, Ethan L. McDonald, Evan R. Needham, Audrey E. Redden, Jeffrey J. Roberson, Trevor A. Stunson, and Callie A. Tucker.

Students in 12th grade included on the Gold Honor Roll are Marely Acevedo Sanchez, Caroline M. Barclay, Hileaha R. Bonds, Skylie R. Briggs, Ella C. Burden, Alex. Camacho, Preet M. Chaudhari, Kee-

ley D. Dance, Jonathan S. Doss, Braden M. Gore, Ahnya N. Guthrie, Carter R. Holzner, Dylan J. Koenig-Curtis, Joseph T. Lattus, Piper K. Lusk, Joseph A. Jr. Mathias, McKenzie L. Mayo, Joshua M. McKnight, Ivy K. Morris, Charles M. Mulcahy, Jurnee S. Puckett, Izabellah L. Rea, Hannah C. Roach, Jacyd A. Rushin, Benjamin J. Swift, Jillian R. Whitlow, Jayden C. Wilder, and Kendall P. Wilson.

South Fulton Middle School recently announced the Gold and Silver Honor Roll for the fourth nine weeks period of the 2025-2026 school year.

Sixth grade students included on the Gold Honor Roll are Micah R. Delapp, Zykeya S. Everton, Jaclyn A. Fisette, Hunter R. Irvan, Connor N. Johnson, Abe J. Morris, Henry D. Murphy, William J. Rivera, and Arianna F. Ward.

Sixth grade students on the Silver Honor Roll included Gavin F. Adams and Bryleigh F. Goodlett.

Seventh grade students included on the Gold Hon-

or Roll are Aniston N. Allen, Georgia C. Bluehorse, Gabriel A. Capps, Kade C. Clanton, Kinley D. Collins, Holden B. Crabtree, Levi J. Dowdy, Rhett G. Fields, Willow B. Grogan, William J. Hale, Waylon C. Hollingsworth, Sophia J. Irvan, Sawyer P. Jones, Katherine G. Joyner, Arabella B. Lovell, Asher D. Lusk, Ca'Zhyia. McManus, Evan D. Mohr, Radhe J. Patel, Nolan C. Rice, Riley R. Semore, Clark B. Taylor, Kaylee J. Tyrkala, Jessica L. Wells, and Raden L. Woodruff.

Seventh grade students included on the Silver Hon-

or Roll are Jewell R. Potter, Rayne A. Sills, and Silas R. Williams.

Students in eighth grade included on the Gold Honor Roll are Kenneth B. Ballance, Easton P. Bayko, Jayden B. Cole, Kyrain D. Crittendon, Dominic B. Davis, Tucker C. Forrest, Ansley K. Horner, Destiny S. McGuire, Mia L. Myers, Brookelynn R. Patrick, Kay S. Wallace, Leah A. White, and Parker K. Wilson.

Eighth grade students included on the Silver Honor Roll are Mia D. Becerra, Lillian B. Coble, Vaeda G. Kelly, and Caleb R. Parnell.

## NOW HIRING

The Fulton County Conservation District is hiring a Soil Technician and Community Liaison to assist with State & Federal programs. Must pass a federal background check and have a valid drivers license. Experience with Farming, GPS and Surveying would be beneficial.

Pay range is \$17 to \$26 per hour, based on experience. Part-time or Full-time is offered with benefits of 8 hours sick leave and 8 hours annual leave per month. Deadline to apply is June 30, 2026.

If interested, drop your resume off at: Fulton County Conservation, 1811 South 7th. St. Hickman, KY 42050, Tuesday thru Thursday 9-3 each day. May also call 1-731-442-1793.

## REQUEST FOR BIDS

In accordance with 7 CFR 1780.39, the City of Hickman is seeking bids to replace its Return Active Sludge (RAS) and Waste Active Sludge (WAS) pumps in its wastewater treatment system. The pumps currently in the system are not of the proper design to fully function with the existing clarifier in place. The city seeks a solution that would involve the construction of above ground pumps with proper overload and freeze protection.

You are invited to submit a proposal to be received no later than 4:00 p.m. local time on June 18, 2026. Your proposal should be submitted to Robert Griggs, City Manager, City of Hickman, 1812 S Seventh St, Hickman, KY 42050. Proposals can be submitted electronically via email to [citymanager@cityofhickman.org](mailto:citymanager@cityofhickman.org). The full Request for Bid with attachments may be obtained by contacting Robert Griggs at [citymanager@cityofhickman.org](mailto:citymanager@cityofhickman.org)

The Contract will be awarded to the responsible offeror whose proposal is determined to be the most advantageous to the City of Hickman. The City of Hickman does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity, or disability and provides, upon request, reasonable accommodation including auxiliary aids and services necessary to afford an individual with a disability an equal opportunity to participate in all services, programs and activities.

The City of Hickman reserves the right to reject any or all submissions, waive minor informalities, or request additional information if necessary.

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The Peabody Awards are one of media's most prestigious awards that recognize stories that illuminate social issues and honor "stories that matter."

The KMBC 9 investigation *Restrained* revealed that at least 102 individuals across 29 states died

or were injured due to the misuse of restraint chairs by law enforcement, often involving excessive force such as beating or tasing restrained inmates, highlighting significant gaps in training and policy. Following the investigation, more than 50 sheriffs in

Missouri and Kansas updated their restraint policies, and the National Institute for Jail Operations recommended the content for national training, signaling a push for reform in how restraint systems are managed in correctional facilities.

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## JOB OPENING: CHIEF OF POLICE

City of Fulton, Kentucky

- Job Type: Full-Time
- Salary Range: \$50,000 to \$65,000 annually
- Reports To: City Manager

**ABOUT OUR COMMUNITY**

Fulton, Kentucky, is a unique, historic, and close-knit community located on the Kentucky/Tennessee border. As part of a "Twin City" community with South Fulton, TN, the community features a local population of approximately 5,000 residents. The city is strategically situated on the Canadian National Rail Line and the southernmost section of I-69 in Kentucky, about 45 minutes south of Paducah, KY, and two and a half hours northwest of Nashville, TN. Operating under a Commission-Manager form of government, the city blends small-town heritage with a professional, collaborative leadership environment.

**JOB SUMMARY**

The City Commission is seeking a highly qualified, professional, and progressive leader for the position of City Police Chief. The Police Chief plans, directs, manages, and oversees all activities and operations of the Police Department, including law enforcement, crime prevention, and crime suppression programs. The successful candidate will exercise full responsibility for enforcing federal, state, and local laws while providing administrative support to the City Manager and maintaining strong community relations.

**MAIN DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES**

- **Department Leadership:** Assume full management responsibility for all police services, departmental operations, and work plans. Recommend, administer, and evaluate departmental goals, policies, and procedures.
- **Staff Management:** Select, train, motivate, and evaluate personnel. Establish appropriate staffing levels, coordinate career development, and implement disciplinary procedures when necessary.
- **Budgetary Oversight:** Oversee the development and administration of the department budget. Approve and forecast funds needed for staffing, equipment, materials, and supplies.
- **Operational Command:** Direct and assist with the investigation of major crimes, accidents, or unusual incidents. Safely and effectively utilize police equipment and firearms when required.
- **Community & Interagency Collaboration:** Represent the Police Department at City Commission meetings and build positive working relationships with elected officials, media, outside law enforcement agencies, and the general public. Resolve sensitive citizen inquiries and complaints.

**HOW TO APPLY**

Interested candidates should submit a cover letter, resume and a list of three professional references, directly to the City Clerk. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. The expected decision-making window upon review is two weeks.

A full job description may be obtained from the City Clerk at Fulton City Hall.  
**Submit Applications To: City Clerk Laura Byrd, City of Fulton, PO Box 1350, Fulton, KY 42041**  
Email: [lbyrd@fulton-ky.com](mailto:lbyrd@fulton-ky.com)

**Equal Opportunity Employer & ADA Compliance:** The City of Fulton is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Any applicant who requires ADA accommodation during the employment selection process must request the accommodation from the City Clerk in writing.

## JOB OPENING: CITY MANAGER

City of Fulton, Kentucky

Job Type: Full-Time  
Reports To: Mayor and Board of Commissioners

**SALARY & BENEFITS:**  
Competitive salary based on professional experience, plus a full benefits package (health insurance, retirement, etc.).

**ABOUT OUR COMMUNITY**

Fulton, Kentucky, is a historic, close-knit town in southwestern Kentucky. Famously known as one half of the "Twin Cities," Fulton sits directly on the border of South Fulton, Tennessee, blending small-town charm with a forward-thinking spirit. Every year, the city hosts the famous Banana Festival, a massive community celebration featuring the creation and service of the World's Largest Banana Pudding!

The city operates under a **Commission-Manager** style of government. The elected Mayor and four Commissioners establish city laws and policies, while the City Manager is hired to oversee the daily operations of the municipality.

**JOB SUMMARY**

The City of Fulton is seeking a professional, honest, and collaborative leader to serve as the next City Manager. This role requires the ability to balance multiple responsibilities, ensuring the city remains compliant with federal, state, and local regulations while providing clear direction to all city departments.

The next City Manager will oversee an approximately **\$6 million** city budget. The position requires a dedicated professional capable of maintaining smooth public services, fostering local economic growth, and ensuring responsible fiscal management.

**MAIN DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

- **Daily Leadership:** Oversee and manage the daily operations of all city departments, ensuring staff efficiency and high-quality service for residents.
- **Budget and Finances:** Create and manage the annual \$6 million city budget. Responsibilities include tracking spending, identifying government grants, and maintaining the city's financial stability.
- **Enforcing Laws:** Implement the policies and laws enacted by the Mayor and City Commission.
- **Managing Staff:** Lead city employees, evaluate department heads, and recommend hiring, promotions, or disciplinary actions to the Board.
- **Working with Partners:** Maintain productive working relationships with Fulton County officials, state agencies, and regional boards (such as local transit and ambulance services).
- **Community Connection:** Serve as an accessible and helpful point of contact for residents, local business owners, and civic groups to support community prosperity.

**QUALIFICATIONS**

- **Education:** A bachelor's degree in public administration, Business, Finance, or equivalent experience is highly preferred.
- **Experience:** Previous experience managing a city or leading a major department in local government. Candidates should demonstrate a strong track record in budget management, infrastructure projects, and personnel leadership.
- **Skills:** Strong financial management skills, effective problem-solving abilities, and excellent communication. The ideal candidate is a leader who listens well and fosters collaboration.
- **Knowledge:** A solid understanding of city services—such as public works, police, fire, emergency medical services, and utilities—is a significant advantage.

**HOW TO APPLY**

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