***POSITION SUMMARY***

The Beaufort County Sheriff’s Office Forensic Services Laboratory, an ISO 17025 accredited laboratory, is currently accepting applications for a Forensic Scientist position in the Chemistry Section. Under the direction of the Forensic Drug Identification Technical Leader:

* Uses scientific testing procedures to analyze evidence in order to determine the presence of controlled substances.
* Prepares accurate and precise notes and technical reports.
* Testifies as an expert witness regarding the scientific conclusions obtained from analysis.
* Provides technical assistance to members of law enforcement and the criminal justice community.
* Performs maintenance, calibration, and quality control on scientific instruments.
* Performs other duties as assigned.

***MINIMUM EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS***

* A Bachelor’s Degree in Chemistry, Biology, and Biochemistry, Forensic Sciences or a closely related field of science relevant to the analysis of seized drugs.
* Course of study must include lecture and associated laboratory classes in general, organic and analytical chemistry from a four year accredited college/university.

***MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS***

* Two or more years of documented work experience in an ISO 17025 accredited forensic laboratory as a qualified forensic scientist specializing in Drug Identification.
* Knowledge of/experience with basic theoretical principles of analytical chemistry such as laboratory techniques, color tests, GC, GC/MS, FT-IR.
* Possess excellent oral and written communication skills.

**PREFERRED EXPERIENCE, KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES**

* Five or more years of experience as a qualified forensic scientist specializing in Drug Identification.
* Advance degree in Chemistry or related scientific field.
* American Board of Criminalistics Certification.
* Knowledge of Laboratory Information Management Systems (LIMS).

***APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS***

The following materials are required:

* Curriculum vitae
* Transcripts
* All application and employment documents listed at the Beaufort County Sheriff’s Office employment website; available for download at <https://www.bcso.net/application-process>.

**Submit all materials to:**

Beaufort County Sheriff’s Office

Recruiting Unit

Attn: Lt. Martin Thomas

Post Office Box 1758

Beaufort, South Carolina 29901

**APPLICATION DEADLINE: Open Until Filled**

**COMPENSATION: $65,000 -Contingent upon related work experience and qualifications.**