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Job Opening Advertisement for a Hindu Priest

Advertisement Posting Date: March 29th, 2024

Application Closing Date: August 31st, 2024 or until position is filled

Sri Shirdi Saibaba Samshtan (SSSS,MI) is a non-profit religious organization established towards the primary goal of to worship Saibaba and to promote Sri Shirdi Saibaba's teachings - universal message of love, truth, non-violence, righteousness, peace and service (Seva), and to worship of Lord Shiva, Rama and other Hindu deities.

Shirdi Saibaba Samshtan, Livonia, MI, USA invites applications for the position of a Hindu Priest to perform daily poojas (rituals) at the Temple and at the devotees' residences as required.

Job Description:

- 1. Priest is required to perform all four Baba Aarti's and Mahanyasa Poorvaka Ekadasa Rudrabhishekam to Lord Shiva.
- 2. Priest is required to perform Hindu Homas / Vedic rituals / Sitarama Kalyanam, ceremonies and other priestly duties as approved by the management.
- 3. Priest is required to perform other administrative duties as assigned.
- 4. The job performance, personal conduct and life style should comply with accepted Hindu customs and traditions.

Qualification & Experience Requirements:

Required Professional Qualifications

- 1. Served as resident or consulting priest in Hindu Temples either in India, US or abroad for a minimum of Three (3) years. Work experience in temples within the USA is preferred.
- 2. Served as a priest in a Saibaba Temple for a minimum period of 3 years. Persons freelancing as priests are not preferred.
- 3. Shall have unconditional faith and respect to Shirdi Sai Baba and Hindu customs and traditions.
- 4. Shall be well-versed in Aagamic traditions



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- 5. Shall be knowledgeable in and willing to perform Vaidika Panchadasa Karmas.
- 6. Shall be able to independently conduct daily rituals and special event rituals at Shirdi Saibaba Temple and devotee's residences.
- 7. Knowledge in Sanskrit Language and ability to teach Veda mantras, stotras /slokas and their meanings to the devotees when required.
- Broader understanding of traditional Hindu rituals and festivals in various regions of India is required. Understanding of Sanatana Dharma – Vedas and Upanishads, Itihasas, Puranas, Srimad Bhagavatgita is required.

Required Soft Skill Qualifications:

- 1. Demonstrated ability of inspiring cross section of community in spiritual activities, and work amicably with temple management.
- 2. Demonstrated ability of having good interpersonal skills.
- 3. Demonstrated oral and written communication skills.
- 4. Communication with devotees in spoken English, Telugu, Hindi and other regional languages of India.

Desirable Professional Qualifications:

- 1. Certification in Agama Pravesa and Archaka Pravesa by any Indian Government agencies or TTD or any reputed Hindu (India) Religious Organizations is highly preferred.
- 2. Ability to Sing Baba Aarti's, perform Rudrabhishekam, lead Bhajans, chant Stotras (beyond panchadasa karma hymns), and group spiritual activities is desirable.
- 3. Collegiate education with an undergraduate degree is desirable.
- 4. Multiple years of experience in organizing major festivals or celebrations (homas, vratams, pratisthas, spiritual lectures, satsungs) would be considered as an added qualification.

Desirable Soft Skill Qualifications:

1. Willingness to adapt to the needs of the devotees living in USA and Shirdi Sai Baba temple procedures is preferred.



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- 2. Converse in other Indian languages apart from their native language is a plus.
- 3. Knowledge in computer software applications (word, excel, email, etc.)
- 4. Ability to drive car.

Other:

1. Candidate shall be willing to relocate to Livonia, MI within a reasonable amount of time after signing the employment contract.

2. Married applicants should be able to live by themselves during the probationary period. No US immigration processing for family members shall be assumed during the probationary period.

3. R1-Visa holders, US Permanent Residents (Green card), and US Citizens are preferred. However, SSSS,MI is willing to sponsor R1 visa for the selected candidate.

Work Contract:

Initial contract may be for 2 years with a probationary period of first six months of employment.

Salary and Benefits are determined based on the candidate's qualifications and experience.

Applications will be accepted until position is filled.

If you are interested in being considered for this position, you will need to submit the following information:

- 1. A cover letter which identifies how your training, experience, and/or coursework qualify you for this position.
- 2. A detailed resume, describing your education, training and experience.
- 3. A copy of your transcripts / certificates and all relevant information that support your candidacy; The set of information may include, Transcripts / certificates, salary & benefits requirements, current Passport copy (showing name, validation date, date of birth, etc.,), current visa papers; Electronic version of chanting and sample pooja performances in Video format; pictures showing that candidate performing major events;



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4. At least three (2) letters of recommendation are required. All recommendation letters shall be directly e-mailed to the address given below.

For further information or if you have any questions regarding this position or how to submit the information: Contact: <u>HR@saibabami.org</u> or call1-866-BABA-789.

Please submit the application material via email to hr@saibabami.org