

Public Works

Response Rate: 72%

New Hire Process (Onboarding)

This section is about the new employee experience, including the training and orientation of new employees. (Only asked of employees with less than 4 years of experience working at the county.)

	Number Responding	Strongly Disagree (1)	Disagree (2)	Neither Agree nor Disagree (3)	Agree (4)	Strongly Agree (5)	Mean (1-5)
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1. My new hire experience prepared me for my new position.

Pub Wks	45	0%	11%	27%	44%	18%	3.69
Overall	538	4%	14%	21%	48%	13%	3.53

2. During the first week someone adequately communicated the expectations for my position.

Pub Wks	46	2%	4%	24%	39%	30%	3.91
Overall	540	4%	13%	12%	46%	25%	3.76

3. I was provided the necessary tools (e.g. supplies, equipment, log-in information, computers, etc.) for a smooth transition.

Pub Wks	46	4%	13%	9%	39%	35%	3.87
Overall	540	3%	11%	9%	51%	25%	3.84

4. Benefits were adequately explained to me in my new hire orientation.

Pub Wks	45	7%	16%	7%	36%	36%	3.78
Overall	537	3%	8%	11%	50%	27%	3.90

5. Online trainings are an effective format for new hires.

Pub Wks	45	4%	16%	22%	38%	20%	3.53
Overall	538	3%	15%	29%	40%	14%	3.48

6. I felt comfortable asking questions as I transitioned into my new position.

Pub Wks	42	5%	7%	21%	26%	40%	3.90
Overall	535	2%	4%	11%	49%	34%	4.10

Communication

This section is about the effective and efficient means of providing information throughout the organization.

	Number Responding	Strongly Disagree (1)	Disagree (2)	Neither Agree nor Disagree (3)	Agree (4)	Strongly Agree (5)	Mean (1-5)
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8. The county is effective in keeping employees informed of the services provided in county agencies.

Pub Wks	179	2%	21%	26%	40%	12%	3.40
Overall	2245	3%	17%	19%	49%	13%	3.53

9. The method by which I receive SLCO internal communications is adequate.

Pub Wks	180	3%	19%	22%	44%	11%	3.41
Overall	2237	2%	10%	15%	56%	17%	3.75

10. The content of SLCO communications is valuable.

Pub Wks	177	0%	5%	28%	50%	18%	3.81
Overall	2234	1%	7%	23%	53%	16%	3.75

11. I am satisfied with my supervisor's efforts to keep me informed of what is going on within my agency/division.

Pub Wks	179	11%	20%	15%	35%	20%	3.34
Overall	2206	8%	15%	13%	35%	30%	3.64

12. I know how to direct others to services and resources provided by SLCO.

Pub Wks	180	3%	18%	25%	39%	15%	3.45
Overall	2223	2%	14%	21%	45%	17%	3.60

13. The SLCO intranet (eConnect) is easy to use.

Pub Wks	177	8%	16%	22%	42%	11%	3.33
Overall	2206	4%	13%	20%	47%	16%	3.58

14. It is easy to locate the contact information for divisions.

Pub Wks	179	3%	25%	26%	35%	11%	3.25
Overall	2205	6%	21%	26%	36%	10%	3.23

15. The SLCO directory is easy to navigate.

Pub Wks	178	4%	22%	29%	35%	10%	3.23
Overall	2190	6%	19%	30%	35%	9%	3.23

16. The SLCO directory is up to date.

Pub Wks	163	3%	21%	42%	26%	9%	3.16
Overall	2140	6%	16%	43%	28%	7%	3.12

Training and Education

This section is about the opportunity to acquire the skills and abilities to perform on the job and further development of my career.

	Number Responding	Strongly Disagree (1)	Disagree (2)	Neither Agree nor Disagree (3)	Agree (4)	Strongly Agree (5)	Mean (1-5)
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18. The information I receive in training applies to my current position.

Pub Wks	179	4%	15%	23%	47%	11%	3.45
Overall	2175	4%	11%	20%	50%	16%	3.64

19. I have received enough training to know how to do my job.

Pub Wks	178	3%	11%	17%	52%	16%	3.67
Overall	2173	3%	11%	14%	48%	24%	3.78

20. I am satisfied with the training I receive about how to manage and/or supervise employees.

Pub Wks	57	2%	16%	21%	49%	12%	3.54
Overall	2272	3%	18%	17%	45%	18%	3.56

21. Employees' University classes are well promoted and advertised.

Pub Wks	176	8%	26%	29%	31%	6%	3.01
Overall	2135	5%	19%	31%	36%	9%	3.26

22. I am satisfied with the frequency of the courses offered at the Employees' University.

Pub Wks	175	3%	23%	42%	26%	6%	3.09
Overall	2096	3%	12%	43%	34%	7%	3.32

23. I am encouraged to further my education using the Employees' University

Pub Wks	173	8%	29%	28%	27%	7%	2.95
Overall	2123	9%	23%	32%	26%	9%	3.03

24. I am supported in furthering my education at institutions outside of SLCO.

Pub Wks	168	5%	24%	41%	23%	7%	3.02
Overall	2060	8%	15%	35%	28%	13%	3.25

25. I am familiar with the County's tuition reimbursement policy.

Pub Wks	175	6%	21%	30%	34%	9%	3.18
Overall	2125	5%	17%	20%	41%	17%	3.48

Professional Development

This section addresses the opportunity for personal growth and/or advancement as an employee of SLCO.

	Number Responding	Strongly Disagree (1)	Disagree (2)	Neither Agree nor Disagree (3)	Agree (4)	Strongly Agree (5)	Mean (1-5)
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26. I have the opportunity to develop new job skills and abilities.

Pub Wks	176	6%	26%	26%	34%	8%	3.11
Overall	2173	7%	17%	19%	43%	15%	3.43

27. My supervisor actively encourages my career development.

Pub Wks	178	8%	22%	26%	30%	13%	3.18
Overall	2162	9%	16%	22%	32%	21%	3.41

28. I feel I have opportunities to develop mentoring relationships.

Pub Wks	176	7%	29%	30%	27%	7%	2.98
Overall	2150	8%	20%	26%	34%	12%	3.22

29. I know where to access SLCO job postings.

Pub Wks	177	2%	2%	9%	59%	28%	4.09
Overall	2173	1%	3%	7%	53%	36%	4.20

30. I have opportunities for advancement within SLCO.

Pub Wks	177	15%	25%	25%	25%	10%	2.90
Overall	2168	15%	20%	24%	30%	11%	3.01

31. The promotion process at SLCO is fair.

Pub Wks	178	28%	25%	23%	17%	7%	2.51
Overall	2128	21%	22%	33%	19%	6%	2.51

32. I feel that advancement at SLCO is often based in office politics (i.e. who you know or are connected to).

Pub Wks	175	4%	10%	21%	26%	39%	3.86
Overall	2111	4%	8%	26%	27%	35%	3.83

Performance and Development Plans & Annual Evaluations

This section addresses the quarterly performance development plan process as well as the annual evaluation.

Performance Development

33. Are you meeting quarterly with your supervisor for your performance and development plan?

	Number Responding	Yes	No
Pub Wks	170	68%	32%
Overall	2148	66%	34%

	Number Responding	Strongly Disagree (1)	Disagree (2)	Neither Agree nor Disagree (3)	Agree (4)	Strongly Agree (5)	Mean (1-5)
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34. The frequency of quarterly performance and development plans is appropriate.

	Number Responding	Strongly Disagree (1)	Disagree (2)	Neither Agree nor Disagree (3)	Agree (4)	Strongly Agree (5)	Mean (1-5)
Pub Wks	178	10%	13%	25%	39%	12%	3.31
Overall	2113	8%	20%	24%	40%	8%	3.19

35. I feel the performance and development plan process is a good use of time.

	Number Responding	Strongly Disagree (1)	Disagree (2)	Neither Agree nor Disagree (3)	Agree (4)	Strongly Agree (5)	Mean (1-5)
Pub Wks	176	11%	22%	23%	33%	10%	3.09
Overall	2121	11%	24%	24%	33%	7%	3.01

36. Setting individual work goals in a formal manner is a worthwhile process.

	Number Responding	Strongly Disagree (1)	Disagree (2)	Neither Agree nor Disagree (3)	Agree (4)	Strongly Agree (5)	Mean (1-5)
Pub Wks	176	10%	9%	19%	45%	18%	3.53
Overall	2131	7%	14%	22%	46%	12%	3.43

Annual Evaluation

37. Are you formally evaluated annually?

	Number Responding	Yes	No
Pub Wks	174	89%	11%
Overall	2170	92%	8%

	Number Responding	Strongly Disagree (1)	Disagree (2)	Neither Agree nor Disagree (3)	Agree (4)	Strongly Agree (5)	Mean (1-5)
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38. My annual evaluation is an accurate reflection of my work.

	Number Responding	Strongly Disagree (1)	Disagree (2)	Neither Agree nor Disagree (3)	Agree (4)	Strongly Agree (5)	Mean (1-5)
Pub Wks	174	10%	18%	20%	39%	13%	3.27
Overall	2064	5%	13%	18%	49%	15%	3.55

39. My annual evaluation is an effective means to improve my work.

	Number Responding	Strongly Disagree (1)	Disagree (2)	Neither Agree nor Disagree (3)	Agree (4)	Strongly Agree (5)	Mean (1-5)
Pub Wks	174	8%	17%	30%	34%	10%	3.21
Overall	2058	7%	17%	27%	38%	10%	3.28

40. I am provided the resources necessary to meet the expectations of my annual evaluation.

	Number Responding	Strongly Disagree (1)	Disagree (2)	Neither Agree nor Disagree (3)	Agree (4)	Strongly Agree (5)	Mean (1-5)
Pub Wks	174	7%	15%	30%	37%	10%	3.29
Overall	2066	6%	11%	24%	46%	13%	3.50

Other

41. I receive ongoing feedback on my work performance from my supervisor, outside of the formal development and evaluation process and evaluation process

	Number Responding	Strongly Disagree (1)	Disagree (2)	Neither Agree nor Disagree (3)	Agree (4)	Strongly Agree (5)	Mean (1-5)
Pub Wks	177	8%	20%	22%	37%	13%	3.28
Overall	2172	7%	15%	17%	42%	19%	3.50

Management and Supervision

This section is about the individuals who control or direct resources and expenditures, and/or have oversight and direction of processes, work and those who perform the work.

Supervisor Questions – a supervisor is the individual you directly report to.

	Number Responding	Strongly Disagree (1)	Disagree (2)	Neither Agree nor Disagree (3)	Agree (4)	Strongly Agree (5)	Mean (1-5)
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42. My supervisor sets clear expectations for my work

Pub Wks	179	2%	12%	20%	50%	17%	3.67
Overall	2159	3%	10%	15%	50%	22%	3.76

43. My supervisor cares about me as an individual.

Pub Wks	177	7%	9%	19%	38%	27%	3.68
Overall	2157	6%	7%	14%	39%	35%	3.91

44. I receive positive feedback from my supervisor when I do a good job

Pub Wks	178	4%	13%	17%	43%	22%	3.65
Overall	2159	5%	10%	14%	41%	30%	3.81

45. I am comfortable sharing issues and concerns with my supervisor.

Pub Wks	179	8%	12%	14%	40%	26%	3.64
Overall	2163	8%	10%	12%	39%	32%	3.77

46. My supervisor manages employees in a fair manner.

Pub Wks	178	10%	15%	20%	34%	21%	3.43
Overall	2162	8%	10%	16%	38%	29%	3.70

47. When needed, poor performance on my team is addressed.

Pub Wks	175	13%	18%	20%	35%	14%	3.19
Overall	2101	8%	13%	22%	40%	17%	3.44

Management Questions

Throughout the County there are different levels of management, these questions refer to all managers beyond your direct supervisor. That would include both those within your agency and those that manage across SLCO.

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48. Management communicates effectively with employees.

Pub Wks	178	13%	24%	24%	31%	8%	2.97
Overall	2156	13%	25%	22%	32%	8%	2.97

49. Employees are given enough support by management to do their jobs.

Pub Wks	177	10%	17%	21%	40%	11%	3.25
Overall	2145	11%	20%	21%	39%	10%	3.17

50. Management works together in a coordinated manner.

Pub Wks	174	14%	21%	28%	29%	7%	2.95
Overall	2144	14%	22%	27%	29%	8%	2.95

51. Management cares about employees as individuals.

Pub Wks	177	14%	18%	31%	28%	10%	3.01
Overall	2145	14%	17%	24%	32%	12%	3.11

52. I feel that, in general, those in management are qualified for their positions.

Pub Wks	177	17%	13%	26%	34%	10%	3.07
Overall	2151	10%	14%	27%	37%	12%	3.26

Work Environment/Operational Functionality

This section is about policies, procedures, processes, equipment, resources, assignments, schedules, transfers, and more. For the following questions the term “Assignment Changes” includes changes to work tasks, schedules, and/or transfers.

	Number Responding	Strongly Disagree (1)	Disagree (2)	Neither Agree nor Disagree (3)	Agree (4)	Strongly Agree (5)	Mean (1–5)
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53. I understand why work assignment changes occur

Pub Wks	172	2%	8%	17%	63%	11%	3.74
Overall	2097	3%	8%	15%	59%	14%	3.74

54. The process through which changes are made to work assignments is fair.

Pub Wks	169	4%	19%	28%	41%	8%	3.32
Overall	2071	8%	16%	29%	38%	8%	3.23

Policies and Procedures

	Number Responding	Strongly Disagree (1)	Disagree (2)	Neither Agree nor Disagree (3)	Agree (4)	Strongly Agree (5)	Mean (1–5)
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55. I know where to find policies and procedures relevant to my job

Pub Wks	178	3%	18%	17%	51%	11%	3.48
Overall	2159	2%	11%	11%	56%	19%	3.80

56. Policies and procedures are easy to understand.

Pub Wks	178	7%	13%	27%	47%	7%	3.34
Overall	2146	3%	15%	24%	48%	10%	3.46

57. Policies and procedures are enforced in a fair manner.

Pub Wks	175	11%	27%	25%	33%	4%	2.91
Overall	2142	9%	19%	27%	38%	7%	3.15

58. Employees have the opportunity to give input on policy/procedures

Pub Wks	175	12%	25%	34%	25%	3%	3.83
Overall	2139	12%	24%	30%	29%	6%	2.93

Other (Work Environment continued)

	Number Responding	Strongly Disagree (1)	Disagree (2)	Neither Agree nor Disagree (3)	Agree (4)	Strongly Agree (5)	Mean (1-5)
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59. Employees are given opportunities to learn/adapt to new technology/systems.

Pub Wks	176	5%	22%	32%	34%	7%	3.16
Overall	2152	5%	11%	23%	50%	11%	3.52

60. I am provided sufficient resources to do my job.

Pub Wks	178	3%	12%	21%	49%	15%	3.61
Overall	2156	5%	10%	16%	54%	15%	3.64

61. I know who to contact regarding human resource related questions.

Pub Wks	177	3%	11%	18%	56%	12%	3.63
Overall	2158	3%	11%	13%	55%	17%	3.71

62. I know who to contact regarding payroll related questions.

Pub Wks	176	2%	7%	10%	65%	15%	3.83
Overall	2153	2%	6%	8%	62%	22%	3.97

63. I feel comfortable reporting discrimination concerns.

Pub Wks	176	10%	15%	23%	42%	10%	3.26
Overall	2093	11%	12%	19%	41%	16%	3.39

64. I feel comfortable reporting harassment concerns.

Pub Wks	175	10%	15%	24%	41%	10%	3.26
Overall	2093	11%	10%	19%	43%	17%	3.46

Culture

This section is about a shared set of values and beliefs that determine patterns of behavior common to groups of people.

	Number Responding	Strongly Disagree (1)	Disagree (2)	Neither Agree nor Disagree (3)	Agree (4)	Strongly Agree (5)	Mean (1-5)
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65. The people I work with work well together.

Pub Wks	177	5%	8%	18%	51%	18%	3.70
Overall	2154	3%	8%	12%	48%	28%	3.89

66. The people I work with are committed to quality work

Pub Wks	177	4%	15%	22%	41%	18%	3.54
Overall	2146	3%	9%	14%	46%	29%	3.88

67. My agency/division collaborates well with other SLCO agencies/divisions.

Pub Wks	174	2%	10%	37%	40%	11%	3.78
Overall	2124	3%	8%	27%	44%	17%	3.65

68. Providing services efficiently is part of the culture of SLCO.

Pub Wks	176	2%	10%	20%	54%	14%	3.66
Overall	2144	3%	9%	18%	50%	20%	3.76

69. I am encouraged to voice ideas, opinions, and concerns.

Pub Wks	176	11%	17%	23%	39%	10%	3.21
Overall	2157	9%	15%	19%	40%	17%	3.41

70. I feel like employee ideas, opinions and concerns are valued.

Pub Wks	176	12%	20%	22%	35%	11%	3.13
Overall	2153	12%	21%	21%	32%	14%	3.13

71. I am encouraged to be innovative by coming up with improved ways of doing things in my role.

Pub Wks	176	9%	18%	25%	38%	11%	3.26
Overall	2152	9%	15%	20%	39%	17%	3.40

72. The leaders in my division promote a positive work culture.

Pub Wks	177	12%	13%	23%	41%	12%	3.28
Overall	2146	10%	14%	20%	37%	19%	3.42

Well-Being

This section is about the satisfaction and positive feelings, supportive and enriching relationships, interest and engagement in activities, purpose, a sense of master and accomplishment, feelings of control and autonomy as well as optimism.

	Number Responding	Strongly Disagree (1)	Disagree (2)	Neither Agree nor Disagree (3)	Agree (4)	Strongly Agree (5)	Mean (1-5)
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73. I feel safe in my work environment.

Pub Wks	179	2%	8%	16%	53%	21%	3.84
Overall	2148	3%	7%	11%	49%	30%	3.97

74. I am engaged and interested in my job duties

Pub Wks	179	1%	2%	8%	55%	34%	4.19
Overall	2150	2%	3%	8%	50%	37%	4.17

75. I feel my work improves the lives of SLCO residents

Pub Wks	176	1%	1%	14%	48%	38%	4.21
Overall	2136	1%	3%	11%	42%	43%	4.22

76. I feel personally empowered to problem solve at work.

Pub Wks	176	1%	7%	17%	45%	30%	3.95
Overall	2148	3%	6%	13%	44%	34%	4.00

77. I am treated with respect by my coworkers.

Pub Wks	178	2%	8%	21%	49%	19%	3.74
Overall	2153	3%	6%	12%	47%	33%	4.00

78. I am treated with respect by my supervisor

Pub Wks	177	5%	8%	16%	44%	27%	3.81
Overall	2147	5%	6%	10%	41%	38%	4.02

79. My workload is reasonable.

Pub Wks	178	4%	13%	18%	45%	19%	3.61
Overall	2152	7%	13%	13%	49%	19%	3.61

80. My job at the county allows me to have a healthy work-life balance.

Pub Wks	176	3%	12%	16%	50%	19%	3.71
Overall	2145	7%	11%	15%	46%	21%	3.66

81. I trust my team members to do their jobs.

Pub Wks	176	5%	14%	18%	49%	14%	3.56
Overall	2145	4%	10%	14%	48%	24%	3.79

82. I would recommend SLCO to a friend or family member as a place to work.

Pub Wks	174	6%	12%	26%	40%	16%	3.47
Overall	2146	7%	9%	17%	40%	27%	3.72

83. I am considering looking for a new job outside of SLCO in the next year.

Pub Wks	173	20%	18%	29%	23%	10%	2.84
Overall	2035	27%	21%	25%	15%	12%	2.66

Other

87. I feel the results of this survey will make a difference.

Pub Wks	174	20%	30%	33%	16%	1%	2.49
Overall	2109	17%	25%	37%	20%	2%	2.66

