

# Becker County, Minnesota County Assessor Position Profile (Notice of Position Opening)

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Becker County,  
Minnesota

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## Becker County, Minnesota

Becker County is located in the heart of lakes country Minnesota, 45 miles east of the metropolitan area of Fargo/Moorhead. The county is situated in an area known as Park Region and is considered one of the State's most beautiful and versatile recreation areas. The county contains more than 400 lakes and encompasses 11 communities, including the county seat, Detroit Lakes. The Assessor's office maintains assessment records on approximately 29,200 taxable properties and approximately 3,339 tax exempt properties.



## County Services

Becker County encompasses 1,440 square miles, divided into 37 townships, and stretches 30 miles north to south and 48 miles east to west. The County is served by five County Commissioners elected from individual districts equally balanced in population within the County. Becker County employs approximately 300 employees with a budget of over \$40 million. Becker County is a full service County providing a wide-range of important functions. Land in Becker County is zoned agricultural, residential, high density residential, commercial, water oriented commercial, industrial or special protection. These classifications determine what type of activity is allowed to occur on the property



## Education & Healthcare

Becker County is primarily served by seven distinguished school districts: Detroit Lakes Public Schools, Pine Point School, Ulen-Hitterdal Public School, Lake Park-Audubon Schools, Frazee-Vergas Public Schools, Menahga Public Schools and Waubun-Ogema-White Earth School District. Healthcare services are provided by Essentia Health St. Mary's Hospital in Detroit Lakes. The hospital provides services that include a birthing center, medical clinic, 24 hour emergency room, urgent care clinic, and home health services.



## Recreation

With abundant lakes, streams, forests, trails, and top-notch facilities, Becker County offers some of the best outdoor recreational opportunities you can find. The Detroit Mountain Recreational Area, located just outside Detroit Lakes, includes downhill and cross-country skiing, tubing, bike trails and more. No matter what the season, outdoor enthusiasts flock to this area to enjoy their favorite activities, and to experience all that Becker County offers. It is the only Minnesota county containing all the Minnesota state symbols: loons, pink and white lady slippers, wild rice, Norway Pines, blueberries and eagles.



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## Position Summary

Responsible for overseeing a smooth and equitable property tax assessment system within the County for Real Estate, Personal and Exempt properties to ensure proper equalization of valuation and proper classification of all properties.

## Position Requirements

1) Senior Accredited Minnesota Assessor License; **Or** Accredited Minnesota Assessor License and attain the Senior Accredited Minnesota Assessor License within two years of employment. 2) Appointment approved by the Commissioner of Revenue 3) Valid driver's license.

## Ideal Candidate will have the additional skill sets:

- Considerable knowledge and experience relating to the rules and regulation of MN assessing.
- Ability to exercise initiative and resourcefulness in solving problems, developing objectives, and making sound independent decisions
- Experience and/or ability to manage group and interpersonal conflict situations to the point of resolution for both internal and external stake holders
- Ability to promote positive employee and customer relations by facilitating an atmosphere of open communication and problem solving.
- Strong verbal and written communication skills

## Compensation and Benefits

Salary Range: \$66,796 to \$98,280 starting salary negotiable, depending on qualifications and experience. Becker County offers a wide range of competitive benefits, including a cafeteria plan consisting of three health plans, dental, vision, life insurance, and flexible spending accounts. The County's monthly contribution rate for 2019 is \$1,278.38 with the option of cash in lieu of up to \$658.88

## Application and Selection Process

Position is open until filled, with first review of application on September 24th. Apply online at the Becker County website: [www.co.becker.mn.us/dept/human\\_resources](http://www.co.becker.mn.us/dept/human_resources). For more information, call (218) 846-7309.

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