

Paid Time Off

Fixed Leave Days:

We have five paid holidays: Martin Luther King Day, Juneteenth, Labor Day, Indigenous People Day, and General Election Day (every other year). Employees working 30 or more hours per will receive 8 hours of holiday pay for each fixed holiday.

Floating Leave Days:

Employees receive 9 workdays, 90 hours for four, ten-hour shifts, 72 hours for five, eight-hour shifts, each calendar year. *Available hours are prorated for those who start with the agency after January 1st of each year.*

- If the start date falls into the first quarter (January through March)
 - Positions scheduled for four, ten-hour days will receive 90 hours or 9 workdays
 - Positions scheduled for five, eight-hour days will receive 72 hours or 9 workdays
- If the start date falls into the second quarter (April through June)
 - Positions scheduled for four, ten-hour days will receive 67.5 hours or 6.75 workdays
 - Positions scheduled for five, eight-hour days will receive 54 hours or 6.75 workdays
- If the start date falls into the third quarter (July through September)
 - Positions scheduled for four, ten-hour days will receive 45 hours or 4.5 workdays
 - Positions scheduled for five, eight-hour days will receive 36 hours or 4.5 workdays
- If the start date falls into the fourth quarter (October through December)
 - Positions scheduled for four, ten-hour days will receive 22.5 hours or 2.25 workdays
 - Positions scheduled for five, eight-hour days will receive 18 hours or 2.25 workdays

Vacation:

Employees earn a percentage of vacation time on paid hours up to an 80-hour base per pay period with a cumulative maximum of 208 hours. Hours must be earned prior to use.

- 0 to 5 years of employment will earn 5% of paid hours up to 80 hours a pay period
 - *Example: 80 hours x 5% = 4 hours earned*
- 6 to 10 years of employment will earn 7.5% of paid hours up to 80 hours a pay period
 - *Example: 80 hours x 7.5% = 6 hours earned*
- 11+ years of employment will earn 10% of paid hours up to 80 hours a pay period
 - *Example: 80 hours x 10% = 8 hours earned*

Vacation Pay Out:

In December of each year, employees who have successfully completed their one-year orientation, will receive the option to elect to cash out a portion of their accrued vacation. Employees in good standing, may cash out up to a maximum of 80 hours providing that at least 40 hours of leave remain.

Sick Time:

Employees earn a percentage of sick time on paid hours up to an 80-hour base per pay period with a cumulative maximum of 480 hours. Hours must be earned prior to use.

- Employees will earn 5% of paid hours up to 80 hours a pay period
 - *Example: 80 hours x 5% = 4 hours earned*

Hazardous Weather Pay:

In the event of hazardous weather (winter storms, extreme cold, extreme heat, etc.), immediate supervisors may allow employees to telecommute, flex their schedule, or use Hazardous Weather Pay (paid time off).

Funeral Leave Pay:

In the event of a death, after notifying the supervisor, an employee may take paid leave according to the following schedule:

- Immediate family member, or other extended family as approved by the Department Director – three days
- Co-worker – one day

Insurance Benefits

Health Insurance:

Health insurance will be provided to employees that work 30 hours or more per week through the provider, Quartz, and goes into effect the first of the month following 30 days of employment. This is an embedded plan with a single deductible of \$4,500 and family deductible of \$9,000.

Insurance Premiums:

- Single: \$65.81 per pay period, \$131.62 per month
- Employee/Spouse: \$138.20 per pay period, \$276.40 per month
- Employee/Child(ren): \$125.04 per pay period, \$250.08 per month
- Family: \$210.59 per pay period, \$521.18 per month

Health Savings Account:

Couleecap has elected to contribute to a health savings account (HSA) for all employees who are eligible for and enrolled in the agency health insurance plan.

Employer Contributions for 2023

- Single contribution: \$86.25 per pay period, \$172.50 per month
- Family contribution: \$172.5 per pay period, \$345 per month

Employees are able to contribute to the HSA in addition to the employer's contribution.

Maximum employee/employer contribution:

- Single plan: \$3,850 per year
- Family contribution: \$7,750 per year

Dental Insurance:

Dental insurance is offered to employees that work 30 hours or more per week through the provider, Delta Dental, and goes into effect the first of the month following 30 days of employment.

Insurance premiums:

- Single: \$4.68 per pay period, \$9.36 per month
- Family: \$13.44 per pay period, \$26.88 per month

Vision Insurance:

Vision insurance is offered to employees that work 30 hours or more per week through the provider, Delta Dental, and goes into effect the first of the month following 30 days of employment.

Insurance premiums:

- Single: \$2.80 per pay period, \$5.60 per month
- Employee/Dependent: \$5.33 per pay period, \$10.66 per month
- Family: \$8.35 per pay period, \$16.70 per month

Flexible Spending Account:

Employees may elect to participate in a flexible spending account (FSA) each year where they contribute pre-tax dollars to pay for dental and vision expenses or dependent care.

Short Term Disability:

Short Term Disability insurance is offered to employees that work 30 hours or more per week through the provider, The Reliance, and goes into effect the first of the month following 30 days of employment. The employee insurance premiums are withheld the first and second check of the month.

Long Term Disability:

Long Term Disability insurance is offered to employees that work 30 hours or more per week through the provider, The Reliance, and goes into effect the first of the month following 30 days of employment. The employee insurance premiums are withheld the first and second check of the month.

Life Insurance:

Couleecap will purchase a life insurance policy from Reliance, the value of one year's salary, for each employee hired to work 30 or more hours per week. Employees have the ability to enroll in voluntary additional coverage for themselves, their spouse, and any dependent children. This coverage goes into effect the first of the month following 30 days of employment.

Retirement

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Upon hire an employee can enroll in the Mutual of American retirement 401(k) plan. The agency will contribute a 200% match up to 6% for eligible employees after one year of employment. Vesting occurs after three years of participation in the plan.

- *Example: Employee contributes 1%, Couleecap will match at 200% making the match 2%.*
- *Example: Employee contributes 3%, Couleecap will match at 200% making the match 6%.*
- *Example: Employee contributes 4%, Couleecap will match at 200% up to 6% making the match 6%.*

Additional Benefits

Employee Assistance Program:

Couleecap provides all employees and their family members an Employee Assistance Program (EAP) to assist with personal or emotional needs that may affect job performance. The EAP provides services, including assessments, screenings, referrals, and brief counseling, up to five sessions per concern, annually.

Career Development Plan:

Employees, after successfully completing their orientation period of service, who are interested in furthering their educational training through an educational institution may be reimbursed for some of the cost of books and/or tuition fees once the course is successfully completed. Employees may also use up to 80 hours paid release time per year for these educational pursuits.

Flexible Schedule:

Couleecap is a family-friendly employer and encourages a strong work-life balance. We understand employees may need flexibility within their work schedule to allow for family needs. All scheduling adjustments should be discussed and approved by an employee's immediate supervisor.

Telecommute:

Couleecap understands there are times where an employee may want or need the ability to telecommute. Employees may make a formal request to their immediate supervisor; each request will be determined on a case by case basis.