



Position Recruitment Notification For Internal & External Candidates

Job Classification:	Forestry Technician II
Department/Division	Public Works/Forestry
Employment Status:	Full-time
Hourly Salary/Grade:	\$27.88 - \$35.45 +/- DOQ/Grade 9
FLSA:	Non-Exempt
Union:	SEIU
Employment Commission:	N/A
Deadline for Application:	Until Filled with first review of applications May 24, 2024

The Village of Oak Park, Illinois is accepting applications to fill a Forestry Technician II position in the Forestry Division of our Public Works Department. Oak Park is a dynamic and historic community, located just 8 miles west of downtown Chicago. The Village of Oak Park's Forestry Division manages the Village's urban forest of more than 18,000 parkway trees as well as more than 100 various public landscaped areas.

POSITION SUMMARY:

This is the full journey level class within the Forestry Worker series. Employees within this class are distinguished from the Forestry Worker I by the performance of the full range of duties assigned including planting, pruning and removing trees. Employees at this level receive only occasional instruction or assistance as new or unusual situations arise, and are fully aware of the operating procedures and policies of the work unit. Possession of a Certified Arborist designation from the International Society of Arboriculture is a condition of employment. The following certifications are required within six months of employment: Class B CDL and Certified Pesticide Operators License from Illinois Department of Agriculture. Working conditions include travel from site to site, some exposure to dust and noise, some heavy lifting, standing, climbing, may work at heights and work in inclement weather conditions. This position is subject to 24 hour call out in emergency situations. Additional details can be found in the position description.

INSTRUCTIONS TO APPLICANTS:

Applicants can apply directly using the following link:

<https://secure.entertimeonline.com/ta/6141780.careers?ApplyToJob=637777492>

For additional information on the position visit our website at <http://www.oak-park.us/jobs>.

Applications and resumes may also be submitted by mail to: Human Resources, Village of Oak Park, 123 Madison Street, Oak Park, IL 60302; by email to: jobs@oak-park.us; or by fax to: 708-358-5107.

Posted: 05-06-2024

The Village of Oak Park offers a highly competitive benefit package that includes a retirement plan, deferred compensation program, social security, health & life insurance. vacation, sick leave & other benefits.

A COPY OF THE POSITION DESCRIPTION IS ATTACHED

The Village of Oak Park is an Equal Employment Opportunity Employer committed to a diverse workforce and strongly encourages applications from candidates of color.



FORESTRY TECHNICIAN II

Union: SEIU

FLSA: Non-exempt

Pay Grade: 9

Hours: 40 per week

Class specifications are intended to present a descriptive list of the range of duties performed by employees in the class. Specifications are not intended to reflect all duties performed within the job.

DEFINITION

To perform skilled work in the maintenance of trees; and to perform a variety of technical tasks relative to assigned area of responsibility.

DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS

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SUPERVISION RECEIVED AND EXERCISED

Receives general supervision from the Forestry Superintendent; Receives general direction from the Forestry Crew Chief

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES - Essential and other important duties and responsibilities may include, but are not limited to, the following:

Essential duties and responsibilities

1. Trim, plant, and maintain trees and various landscaped areas.
2. Remove dead, diseased, or hazardous trees; work from and/or operate bucket truck.
3. Work at heights using an aerial lift or by climbing.
4. Prune trees and stake trees as necessary.



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5. Operate moderately heavy and light equipment including chippers, stumpers, chain saws and various other equipment.
6. Perform preventive maintenance on equipment as required.
7. Perform heavy physical labor.
8. Ensure the adherence to safe work policies and procedures.

Other important responsibilities and duties:

1. Remove snow from parking lots, streets and alleys as required.
2. Respond to public inquiries in a courteous manner; providing appropriate information.
3. Perform various landscape maintenance tasks.
4. Perform related duties and responsibilities as required.

QUALIFICATIONS

Knowledge of:

- Methods, materials, and equipment used in arboriculture work.
- Safe work practices outlined by OSHA, ANSI Z133, and ISA Best Management Practices.
- Methods and techniques of tree trimming, removal and planting.
- Operational characteristics of mechanical equipment and tools used in the area of work assigned.
- Occupational hazards and standard safety practices necessary in the area of work assigned.

Ability to:

- Perform skilled tree maintenance work as assigned
- Perform preventive maintenance on mechanical equipment as required.
- Work independently in the absence of supervision.
- Use and operate hand tools, power tools, chain saws, and mechanical equipment including aerial lift truck, log loader, front-end loader, stump grinder and chipper in a safe and efficient manner.



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- Climb trees utilizing rope and saddle.
- Operate a variety of mechanical equipment in a safe and effective manner in routine situations.
- Understand and follow oral instructions.
- Perform a variety of manual tasks for extended periods of time and in unfavorable weather conditions.
- Apply good judgment and practical knowledge to resolve unusual or irregular problems.
- Communicate clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing.
- Establish and maintain interpersonal skills in the workplace to effectively communicate and interact with others.
- Maintain reasonable and predictable attendance

Maintain physical condition appropriate to the performance of assigned duties and responsibilities which may include the following:

- Perform Forestry field work such as pruning and removing trees and clearing brush.
- Operating assigned equipment.
- Sitting for extended periods of time.

Maintain effective audio-visual discrimination and perception needed for:

- Making observations
- Communicating with others
- Reading and writing
- Operating assigned equipment

Experience and Training Guidelines

Experience: Two years of increasingly responsible experience in a variety of grounds maintenance activities including tree trimming and working from an aerial bucket truck. AND

Training: Demonstrated formal and/or documented informal education providing knowledge of urban forestry. Additional specialized training in horticulture or a related field is desirable. AND

License or Certificate: Possession of a valid Illinois Class B Commercial Driver license without an air brake restriction.



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Possession of a Certified Arborist designation from the International Society of Arboriculture.

WORKING CONDITIONS

Travel from site to site; some exposure to dust and noise; some heavy lifting, standing, climbing; may work at heights; work in inclement weather conditions.

Diversity Equity & Inclusion Statement

The Village of Oak Park commits itself to diversity, equity and inclusion by recognizing that creating a mutually respectful, multicultural and equitable environment does not happen on its own, it must be intentional. This includes providing equal opportunities for everyone regardless of race, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, religion, ability, military or veteran status or any other characteristics.