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Job Opening:
Forester

Department: Public Works

Division: Parks and Forestry

Exempt/Non-Exempt: Exempt

Union/Management: Management

Full-Time/Part-Time/Seasonal: Full-Time

Workweek: 40 hours per week

Salary: (\$50,000-\$57,500) Based on Qualifications and Experience. Competitive Jersey City retirement and health benefits package available, including pension, dental, medical, prescription, FSA (flexible spending account), life insurance and more.

The City of Jersey City, Division of Parks and Forestry is seeking an experienced Forester. The Forester would work under the direct supervision of the Director of Parks and Forestry and be responsible to him for all work assignments and activities. The ideal candidate will be responsible for the growing, harvesting, protection, accessibility, productivity, and sustainability of trees and forestry located on City of Jersey City public properties along with the supervision and management of parks and forestry personnel who carry out the above-mentioned duties.

Job Duties:

- Plans, coordinates, and oversees the work of City employees for tree planting, tree pruning, tree removal, and chemical application;
- Coordinates and participates in tree planting, pruning, removal, and application of fertilizers and pesticides as needed;
- Operates a variety of equipment in support of essential tree maintenance functions;
- Serves as the City's representative and coordinator of various activities with other agencies and entities;
- Participates in preparation of budgets, and prepares specifications for equipment, materials, and supplies pertinent to the division.

**Please note this job description is not designed to cover or contain a comprehensive listing of activities, duties or responsibilities that are required of the employee for this job. Duties, responsibilities and activities may change at any time with or without notice.*

Required Educational Background: Bachelor's Degree in Forestry, Arboriculture, Agriculture, or a related field. ISA Certified Arborist Certification Required.

Required Experience: At least (3) three years of professional experience in forestry and/or arboricultural work.

Essential Skills:

- Extensive knowledge of the principles and practices of landscape architecture, urban forestry management, and arboricultural techniques;
- Experience demonstrating capability to inventory, maintain and grow tree and shrubbery population;
- Extensive knowledge of the types and uses of tools and equipment common to tree care (powered and manual);
- Knowledge of hazard tree assessment and abatement methods;
- Knowledge of tree pests and diseases and their remedies;
- Knowledge of principles and practices of tree planting;
- Must be exceptional at establishing and maintaining effective working relationships with other City of Jersey City employees, public officials and the general public;
- Strong ability to manage public works personnel and motivate team members; and
- Ability to exercise professional judgment and consider community and City needs in making recommendations regarding tree maintenance.

Preferred Education: New Jersey Licensed Tree Expert (LTE)

Preferred Experience: Community and school outreach experience, prior experience managing and supervising public works personnel (2+ years) and dedication to sound forest science, management and conservation.

Full Civil Service job description available here: <http://info.csc.state.nj.us/jobspec/01870.htm>. Applicant must eventually pass and qualify for this Civil Service title.

To apply for this job with the City of Jersey City fill out our [Employment Application](#).

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