



ARBOURIST

Position Type: Temporary Full-Time
Closing Date: May 17th, 2022 at 4:30 pm
Department: Transportation and Operations Department
Number of Positions: One (1)
Union: CUPE
Term of Assignment: Up to 1 year
File Number: SV22-57
Hours: 40 hours per week; Monday to Friday 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Work Location: On- Site
Rate of Pay: \$28.27 per hour

The City of Belleville, known as the 'Friendly City', is located at the mouth of the Moira River where it meets the picturesque Bay of Quinte. Experience world-class fishing, boating, cycling and walking along approximately 14 kilometers of waterfront trails. Situated between Toronto and Montreal, and less than one hour from the U.S. border, the City truly is at the center of it all. Approximately 55,000 people make Belleville their home and over 220,000 live within 30 minutes of the City. We are in close proximity to Prince Edward County where you can discover award winning wineries and numerous beaches including Sandbanks Provincial Park. We are home to Loyalist College of Applied Arts and Technology as well as Albert College, Canada's oldest co-ed boarding independent private school. The historic downtown core provides numerous restaurants, shopping and live music and theater venues for an amazing cultural experience. Our inviting blend of small town warmth and big city amenities, quality of life and affordable housing make Belleville the perfect place to live, work and play. More information is available at www.belleville.ca.

Currently, the City of Belleville has an exciting opportunity for a highly motivated and dynamic individual to join the Transportation and Operations Department as an Arbourist.

Reporting to Supervisor of Parks/ Manager of Outdoor Operations within the Transportation & Operations Department, the Arbourist is responsible for the planting, care and maintenance of City owned trees and the urban forest. The position is responsible for completing tasks and operating equipment as assigned to ensure that the City's tree Inventory is managed to the highest standard.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Complete tasks such as: Tree planting, mulching, pruning, fertilizing, protecting and removal of public trees and associated vegetation.
- Complete tree risk and cultural assessments and provide recommendations.
- Assess site growing conditions and make recommendation for tree planting
- Provide exceptional customer service and maintain a high level of communication when dealing with members of the general public and property owners. Meet directly with various individuals or groups in order to listen and understand service requests.
- Perform tree hazard risk assessments
- Maintain records of tree work required and completed

- Monitor Trees for insect and disease, use cultural methods, insecticides and fungicides to control
- Climb trees to height of 60 feet or more to prune or remove trees
- Operate bucket trucks, aerial lifts
- Conduct work employing best industry practices
- Assist with the preparation of Standard Operating Procedures (SOP)
- Assist with the installation and take down of the Civic Christmas display and Special Events
- Perform other duties as assigned during the growing and off season as required. These duties may include but are not limited to snow and ice control in Parking lots, Walkways and Building entrances, Garbage Collection, Washroom and Building Maintenance, Special events and assistance to other parks staff.

Note: Above duties are representative of a typical position and are not to be construed as all-inclusive.

EDUCATION/SPECIALIZED TRAINING/SKILLS:

The position will require:

Essential (minimum) Qualifications:

- Journeyman Status as an Arbourist Ontario Trade Code: 444A and/or Journeyman Status as a Utility Arbourist Ontario Trade 444 B
- Or: a recognized college diploma/degree in arboriculture, forestry and horticulture with Successful completion of specialized courses in Tree Climbing, Fall Protection and Work Positioning, Arbourist Technical Rigging and High Angle Tree Removal required
- Aerial Bucket Truck Operation Certification
- "DZ" License with a clean driver's abstract

Asset (preferred) Qualifications:

- Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change, Forestry Land Exterminators License
- Certified Arbourist status from the International Society of Arboriculture (ISA)
- Knowledge and understanding of the Occupational Health and Safety Act (OSHA) and the pertinent regulations
- Knowledge and understanding of the Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (WHMIS)
- Proficiency in computer use and operation (word processing, databases, spread sheets)
- Book 7- Traffic Control

WORK EXPERIENCE:

Essential (minimum) Qualifications:

- Minimum three (3) years' of experience in tree climbing and tree care operations

Asset (preferred) Qualifications:

- Experience in a municipal urban tree environment
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How to Apply:

<https://careers.belleville.ca/>

Personal information and any supporting material will be administered in accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA). We thank all applicants who apply but advise that only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

The City of Belleville is an equal opportunity employer committed to inclusive, barrier-free recruitment and selection processes and work environments. We will accommodate the needs of applicants under the Ontario Human Rights Code and the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) throughout all stages of the recruitment and selection process. Please advise the Human Resources Division to ensure your accessibility needs are accommodated throughout this process.

Applicants will be required to provide at their own expense a satisfactory criminal reference check dated within the past six (6) months, proof of full COVID-19 vaccination, and if deemed a requirement of the position, a driver's abstract to the Human Resources Department on or before the date of the interview but no later than the commencement of employment if selected.