

# Arborist (Seasonal) Community Services Department

### **Position Summary**

The Department of Community Services, Facility, Operations & Environment Division is accepting applications for one (1) Seasonal Arborist. Reporting directly to the Supervisor, Operations - Forestry this position is responsible for implementing a comprehensive Town urban forestry program with the Forestry Division and ensuring forestry related service requests are dealt with in a timely manner. This position is responsible for working with crews, other Arborists, seasonal staff and students as required. This position is also responsible for participating in forestry maintenance management programs such as young tree pruning, cyclical urban tree maintenance, tree planting projects and other forestry duties as assigned by Operations Forestry Administration staff.

#### **Key Responsibilities**

- Work with forestry team in the field in implementing projects directly related to all urban forestry activity, such as: tree insect and disease suppression, tree removal programs, tree pruning programs, tree watering programs, tree risk mitigation, tree stake removals, mulching, brushing, stump grinding, tree planting, and woodlands tree maintenance
- Undertake woodlot and street tree management activities
- Implement assigned arboriculture work, including pruning and removals according to current policies and procedures and accepted industry practice(s)
- Operate specialized equipment such as: chippers, chain saws, stumper and other forestry related equipment where required in a safe and efficient manner
- Create and maintain records as required, including but not limited to, Urban Forestry site work safety plans (tailboards), traffic control plans (Book 7) and tree maintenance work records for all projects, daily
- This position is subject to overtime shifts to deal with emergency situations from time to time (e.g. tree hazard amelioration, wind storm / ice storm and other such duties)
- Complies with all health and safety practices as it relates to the work, standard operating procedures/guidelines and the Occupational Health & Safety Act
- Performs other duties as assigned in accordance with Department objectives
- Review / inspect both in-house and contractor forestry work as required by the Manager and/or Supervisor
- Provide budget recommendations to the Supervisor and / or Manager of Forestry as required

#### **Education and Experience**

- Bachelor's Degree, Diploma or Certificate in Urban Forestry, Arboriculture or Horticulture from an officially recognized university or college
- Two (2) years of directly related experience including the operation, routine maintenance, and safe use of industry related equipment
- Versed in Arborist Industry Safe Work Practices Guide Third Edition
- One(1) or more of The International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) Certifications as a Certified Arborist, Utility Specialist, Municipal Specialist, etc.
- Tree Risk Assessment Qualified (TRAQ) would be considered an asset
- Chipper and stump grinder training and knowledge
- Book 7 traffic control training and knowledge
- "DZ" Ontario Driver's License would be considered an asset
- Excellent communication, interpersonal skills and customer service skills
- Strong organizational, time management skills and problem solving abilities
- Ability to work in all kinds of weather and ability to lift heavy objects such as tree branches, chainsaws, trees for planting, etc.
- Qualified candidates will be required to complete a written and practical test

• The successful candidate must have clean driving record that demonstrates responsible and safe driving habits. A recent driver's abstract dated within 30 days will be required if selected for an interview. Persons with 4 or more demerit points need not apply.

## Hourly Rate: \$27.83

Interested applicants should apply online at <u>www.milton.ca</u> under the Careers section by 11:59PM on Friday, May 24, 2024.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information and Privacy legislation, applicant information is collected under the authority of the Municipal Act and will be used strictly for candidate selection.