

# **City of Elmhurst**

## **Employment Opportunity**

## **ARBORIST**

### **POSITION SUMMARY**

This full-time position involves skilled work in the operation of equipment related to trees: pruning, trimming, maintenance and removal, as well as the maintenance of City grounds. The employee is responsible for the operation of a variety of medium to heavy construction tasks and equipment. Work often requires heavy physical labor. The incumbent may serve as a lead worker in supervising semi-skilled and unskilled workers. Work is performed under the direction of the Superintendent of Forestry. Essential duties and responsibilities may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Performs various tree maintenance tasks including climbing, trimming, pruning, planting and removing damaged or diseased trees.
- Applies pesticides as required using appropriate spraying techniques.
- Repairs damaged trees using cables and other appropriate techniques.
- Operates heavy tree-related equipment, including, but not limited to, saws, stump removers, hirangers, aerial lifts, climbing equipment, spraying equipment and grapple trucks. Reports indications of mechanical problems with equipment.
- Performs manual labor related to equipment operation and maintenance activities.
- Operates snowplows, salt spreaders, other snow removal equipment, and hand shovels as needed.
- Completes routine reports on work performed and equipment used as requested.
- Assures the maintenance of safe work areas and equipment, promptly corrects work hazards, as necessary. Investigates and reports all work related injuries immediately, complies with all safety rules and attends appropriate safety programs.

#### **QUALIFICATIONS**

A high school diploma or general education degree (GED) is required. At least two years of experience in an arboricultural field, Certified Arborist license preferred. Minimum one year experience in the operation of medium to heavy duty vehicles and maintenance equipment. Minimum one year experience in the proper use and handling of pesticides preferred. Current possession of State Pesticide Operator's License, or the ability to obtain one within 30 days of hire.

Must possess a valid driver's license, a CDL Class "A" license with Tanker Endorsement Driver's license preferred, or valid Class B CDL driver's license with ability to obtain a Valid Class A CDL with Tanker Endorsement driver's license within 6 months required.

To view the job description, <u>click here.</u> The range for Arborist I is \$31.04/hr to \$40.31/hr and Arborist II is 27.42/hr to 35.66/hr.

Interested candidates should submit a resume and cover letter at elmhurst.org/jobs. This position will remain open until filled.