From the Alliance of Community Trees Newsletter:

**Urban Forester, District of Columbia**

Deadline: Open until filled

The District of Columbia Department of Transporation Urban Forestry Administration seeks to hire several full-time foresters. The forester makes on-the-ground examinations and analyses of urban forest areas to determine which areas require short or long-range treatment in terms of total ecosystem. Conducts detailed urban forest planning investigations and inventories to identify characteristics and quantity of trees in the area. This includes pre-inspection project planning, field, site visits, studying background location records, analyzing vegetation and soil condition indicators on public space site-by-site and initially determining tree box, curb site or part suitability or condition, and proper season for work to be performed at a specific location.

Determines present and projected resource use. Provides data on the magnitude and location of tree problems. Collects data to assist in identifying, classifying, and describing resource-based problems and needs. Assist in preparing environmental impact statements for specific projects. Identifies and evaluates the relative effectiveness of conservation land treatment measures.

Provides technical assistance to individual property owners in the development, application, and maintenance of soil and tree preservation plans, prevention, control, or eradication of a variety of tree diseases, and the use of pesticides. Collaborates with resource specialists inside and outside the organization to foster and maintain an extensive urban tree maintenance control program which includes detection, evaluation of severity, determination of treatment, and implementation of measures to prevent, retard, control, or suppress potential, threatening, or emerging insect infestations, disease epidemics, invasive plant introductions, other identified disturbances, and to restore urban trees damaged by these agents.

**QUALIFICATIONS**

* Must possess and maintain a valid driver's license.
* 4 year degree in forestry or related subject-matter field preferred.
* International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) Certification preferred.
* At least four (4) years of job experience in urban forestry preferred.

The following ranking factors will be used in the evaluation process. All applicants MUST respond to the ranking factors.

* Ranking Factor #1: Knowledge of professional forestry land management principles, practices, and concepts sufficient to analyze and advise on the development and execution of public use plans and programs on urban tree resources.
* Ranking Factor #2: Knowledge of urban land management policies and procedures sufficient to coordinate, monitor, and ensure the plans and programs devised are consistent with policies, procedures and compliance with applicable objectives, standards, and requirements.
* Ranking Factor #3: Familiarity with environmental practices and actions inherent in assigned tree trimming projects and studies, as well as skills and knowledge as it relates to work order management systems or asset management systems for public assets.
* Ranking Factor #4: Skill in entering and manipulating survey/study data in applicable data bases such as GIS, Cityworks Work Order management systems and other permitting systems.

TO APPLY
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