



Land and Facility Crew Member

The Schuylkill Center for Environmental Education, a leading environmental education provider for the Philadelphia region, seeks a passionate and energetic Land and Facilities Crew Member to maintain the Center's buildings and property, a 340-acre forest.

Position Summary:

The Land and Facilities Crew Member supports our mission of connecting people to nature by maintaining our trail system, the community gardens, our facilities including a Wildlife Clinic, as well as supporting restoration activities, and educational programming. Some weekend and evening work is required.

Duties and Responsibilities include:

- Performing routine mowing, land maintenance, and clearing of the Center's trail system, wildlife clinic grounds, and community gardens area;
- Assisting with stewardship programs and land restoration efforts by controlling invasive plants, maintaining restoration sites, engaging erosion concerns, and improving habitat;
- Completing facility request work orders;
- Accomplishing regular maintenance of facility systems including drinking water, HVAC, electrical (lights), roof, and exterior/interior walls;
- Conducting snow removal, driveway repair, tree removal, and brush clearing as needed;
- Operating and maintaining equipment including tractors and excavators.
- Removing litter on the property and performing custodial work as needed.
- Assisting in the nursery and greenhouse;
- Working with volunteer groups as needed;
- Helping with event preparation needed;
- Performing other duties as assigned by the Director of Land and Facilities.

Expected Competencies:

- Familiarity with equipment operation and maintenance (tractor, chainsaw, mower, small engine equipment, etc.);
- Experience in landscaping, tree work, land maintenance, and/or farming;
- Basic familiarity with a wide range of hand tools plus experience in basic woodworking, carpentry, plumbing, mechanical, and/or electrical skills;
- Team-orientation with strong interpersonal skills and the ability to work collaboratively and communicate in a timely and respectful manner;

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- Ability to independently perform assigned tasks;
- Good organizational and writing skills to coordinate volunteer groups as well as design and record maintenance procedures.

Physical Demands/Work Environment:

The physical demands and work environment characteristics described are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions. During most of the year, Land & Facilities staff spends the better part of its day outdoors. The employee must be able to:

- Spend multiple hours outdoors in all weather (heat, cold, rain, snow)
- Hike 2-5 miles a day on rough terrain
- Engage in sustained physical activity throughout the day
- Lift up to 50 pounds (size of large container plant)

The employee is also regularly required to stand, walk, and use hands and arms to operate pruners, chainsaws, clippers, shovels, and other outdoor tools and equipment; must be able to operate general office equipment like PC, telephone, copier, fax machine, and printer. The noise level in the work environment can range from low to high.

Education, Experience, and Qualifications:

A degree or experience working in one or more of the following fields is preferred: natural resource management, forestry, horticulture, farming, environmental studies and/or a facilities maintenance trade. Must have a driver's license, pass background checks, and complete all requirements mandated by the state.

Compensation:

This position is full-time and salaried with a generous benefit package including vacation, health, dental, vision, and retirement; salary is commensurate with experience and ranges from \$25,000-\$29,000.

To Apply:

Please submit your resume and cover letter to Stephen Goin, Director of Land and Facilities, Schuylkill Center for Environmental Education, 8480 Hagy's Mill Road, Philadelphia, PA 19128. Email Steve at steve@schuylkillcenter.org.

Application deadline: March 7, 2017.

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