



TITLE: Eugene Field Technician

EMPLOYMENT STATUS: Non-Exempt, eligible for overtime. part-time, temporary through August, 2022, 20 hours per week. Ability to start as soon as possible.

SUPERVISED BY: Eugene Director

SUPERVISES: n/a

PAY RATE RANGE: \$16/hr

JOB SUMMARY

This job has a mix of indoor and outdoor responsibilities. Field Technicians perform site preparation tasks in advance of tree planting and tree care events. The Field Technician will operate a company vehicle and work both independently and with other FOT staff throughout the Eugene and Springfield metro area. This position will represent Friends of Trees, interact with property owners on a frequent basis, and will communicate often with Friends of Trees project managers to relay information from the field. In the fall and winter, the field technician will help prepare for planting season including performing street tree site inspections, collecting tree planting data, attending planting events, etc. During the spring and summer months the position will focus on watering, mulching, and maintaining the trees and native plants FOT plants every season.

DESCRIPTION OF ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS

Planting

- Plants trees and native plants
- Operate a company vehicle at work
- Assist with event setup including nursery deliveries, plant pickup, and delivery
- Assist with event preparation materials
- Delivers yard signs, posters, door-hangers, and supports staff with other outreach tasks
- Support staff at volunteer planting events as a crew leader, truck driver, etc.
- Assists with loading trailers and trucks for planting events
- Conduct site inspections for street and yard trees
- Enter data for planting sites in Google Sheets, Tree Plotter, Collector, and Friends of Trees Store

Tree Stewardship

- Respond to tree issues, which can include assessing vandalized trees, supporting trees with stakes and twine, and mulching trees
- Water trees and native plants with Friends of Trees water truck



- Support volunteer stewardship events as needed, including community pruning events and tree care work parties
- Assist with maintenance activities using hand tools
- Attends and supports volunteer training events
- Supports summer inspector program
- Serves as a crew leader and/or truck driver for volunteer events

General Staff Duties

- Assist staff with education projects
- Submit accurate record of time to supervisors
- Maintain tools, equipment, and keep trucks clean
- Support with data entry as needed
- Other duties as assigned

REQUIRED SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE

- Able to use hand tools such as shovels, rakes, hand pruners, pick axe, etc.
- Well organized with excellent time management skills
- Strong work ethic, ability to work independently
- Familiar with arboricultural and landscaping best practices
- Interest in or knowledgeable of trees and gardening
- Positive, flexible attitude and sense of humor
- Have the ability to lift 50+ lbs repeatedly and do hard physical work outside in a variety of weather conditions
- Have strong customer service skills
- Have strong communications skills
- Valid driver's license with good driving record
- Committed to working effectively with diverse community populations, and expected to strengthen such capacity if hired

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS

- Able to speak Spanish
- Experience driving trucks with trailer
- Basic computer abilities with e-mail, Google Drive, MS Word, and MS Excel

To Apply: Send cover letter and resume to EugeneTrees@FriendsofTrees.org