Arboriculture Technician
Operations

CUPE, Full-time

Posting #J1222-1404

The City of Abbotsford’s Parks Operations division is seeking an experienced, self-motivated individual to join our dynamic Urban Forestry team as the **Arboriculture Technician.**

Under the supervision of the Arboriculture Coordinator, you will support the overall management of our Specimen Tree inventory as well as the management of our entire urban forest. As part of this important role you will complete tree inspections, prepare and maintain a tree inventory as well as assess and recommend treatments for problem trees. In addition you will plant, prune, shape and perform other maintenance tasks on City trees with hand tools and mechanized equipment. You will work closely with the public as you respond to complaints and provide professional arboricultural advice.

Your thorough knowledge of methods, practices, tools and equipment used in pruning, planting and tree care, along with your understanding of tree species, diseases, pests and treatment methods, will guide your success in this position. You are skilled in the safe, efficient operation of a variety of tools and equipment used for tree management. You are safety oriented and will exercise proper safety precautions while performing your duties under minimal supervision. Your ability to maintain effective working relationships and work respectfully with City staff, contractors, developers and the public are critical to your success on our team and the overall success of the team as a whole.

**To be considered for this position you must have:**

* Grade 12 supplemented by completion of a certificate in Arboriculture, Horticulture, Urban Forestry or a related program.
* Minimum of two years work experience in the field.
* Class 5 BC Drivers’ Licence;
* Pesticide Applicator’s License for the Province of British Columbia;
* International Society of Arboriculture Certification (ISA);
* ISA Tree Risk Assessor Qualified (TRAQ)

This position is unionized, CUPE Local 774, and the hourly rate of pay is from $28.69 to $33.77.

At the City of Abbotsford we work strongly to create a challenging yet rewarding environment for our employees to thrive. We offer ongoing personal and professional development opportunities, competitive compensation and a comprehensive benefits package.

The City of Abbotsford is committed to creating a workplace that fosters a culture of diversity and inclusion by attracting, retaining and developing a talented and diverse workforce which broadly reflects the community and citizens we serve. As such, we encourage applications from individuals from all genders, backgrounds and underrepresented groups. We will be happy to work with applicants requesting accommodation at any stage of the hiring process.

To apply, please visit us online at: [www.abbotsford.ca/careers](http://www.abbotsford.ca/careers)

**Closing Date: January 31, 2023**