

LANDSCAPE TECHNICIAN

(Summer Position – Full Time)

JOB DESCRIPTION

POSITION

The West End BIZ has many programs that enhance the beauty and cleanliness of Winnipeg's West End. We create and maintain planter and in-ground floral displays and care for small parks and green spaces. The landscape technician is responsible for assisting with the planting and maintenance of flowers and shrubs within these spaces. We also rely on them to act as an ambassador for the BIZ by providing information to businesses, residents and visitors, ensuring that the image of the BIZ is a positive one. **The position is ideal for a student with interest in horticulture, landscape design or related fields.**

REPORTING

The Technician reports to the Maintenance Operations Coordinator and will work in a close team environment with the BIZ environmental design staff and other street enhancement technicians. All staff positions are ultimately responsible to the Executive Director.

MAIN AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY

- Assist with planting flowers and shrubs, watering, weeding and maintaining;
- Remove litter and debris from flower planters, flower beds shrub beds and green spaces.
- Trim shrubs and dead branches from trees (those within normal reach only);
- Operate BIZ Truck and/or Bobcat Toolcat with watering and other job related equipment as may be required.
- Operate gas powered maintenance equipment such as leaf blowers and line trimmers.
- Assist with minor repairs to streetscaping elements as may be required.
- Report as required, any street areas in need of garbage pick-up, sweeping, or street furniture needing repair;
- Assist with other street enhancement duties or projects as required.
- Report any concerns or feedback from businesses or residents;
- Report the opening of any new businesses in the area or vacant stores;
- Act as an ambassador to the area by providing information to business owners and residents;
- Assist with other duties or projects as required.

QUALIFICATIONS

Candidates must be self-motivated, responsible and reliable, hardworking and punctual. Must be able to work alone. Must be able to work outdoors in all weather. Must be able to perform all physical duties as required for the position, including but not limited to; ladder climbing, moderate lifting, overhead reaching, extensive walking, kneeling, bending and equipment operation. A cheerful disposition and outgoing attitude are needed for the interaction with BIZ businesses, community residents and visitors to the area. Any related experience is an asset. A valid driver's license with a clean abstract is required. ¾ ton truck driving and/or equipment operating experience an asset.

OTHER

As this position is funded by the Canadian Parks and Recreation Association, the applicant must be 30 years of age or younger. Be a Canadian citizen, permanent resident or protected person as defined by the immigration and Refugee Protection Act and legally entitled to work in Canada. Have been registered as a full-time student in the previous academic year and intend to return to school on a full-time basis in the next academic year. Aboriginal People, Persons with Disabilities and Members of Visible Minorities are encouraged to apply.

WORK ENVIRONMENT

All Street Enhancement Technicians work outdoors every day, in all types of weather conditions. Paid training will be provided and a uniform will be supplied. Kitchen facilities and locker are available.

HOURS OF WORK / WAGES / OTHER

Hours are 730 am to 330 pm with a ½ hr unpaid lunch break not included for a total of 7.5 paid hours per day, 37.5 per week. Days of work are generally Monday to Friday. Occasional Saturdays or Sundays may be required to ensure plant care during hot weather. Wages are **\$14.00** per hour plus vacation pay. The term runs

from **Tuesday May 6, 2019 to August 23, 2019. To apply send cover letter and resume to ryan@westendbiz.ca Deadline for application April 1, 2019**