

CITY OF NEW YORK PARKS & RECREATION

SEASONAL JOB VACANCY NOTICE

Office Title: Municipal Forestry Technician Civil Service Title: City Park Worker

Number of Vacancies: 4

Work Location: Baby Queensbridge Park, Queens Duration: June 2 to August 23, 2025, 12 weeks

Salary: \$18.71 to \$21.52/per hour. 40 hours per week.

NYC Parks is the steward of over 30,000 acres of land — 14 percent of New York City — including more than 5,000 individual properties ranging from Coney Island Beach and Central Park to community gardens and Greenstreets. We look after 600,000 street trees, and two million more in parks.

NYC Parks Tree Time was founded in 1994 to help protect, preserve, and restore NYC's urban forest. Tree Time has focused on projects ranging from the development of Park and Neighborhood management plans, to publishing New York City centric tree publications to the installation of trees and tree guards. Since 2012, Tree Time has been focused on developing service- based donations to fund tree protection, preservation and care. The vision of Tree Time is that all NYC trees receive a platinum level of care, that all citizens are engaged in the care of the urban forest, and professional expertise is leveraged to the greatest extent to transform NYC into a model urban forest.

Perks - Earn vacation and sick leave every month and receive free membership to our recreation centers.

MAJOR RESPONSIBILITIES

In response to shifting models for after planting care, Tree Time seeks qualified individuals to care for newly planted trees and track their condition in a database. Alongside providing direct tree care, the Municipal Forestry Technicians will engage in field-based learning, shadow urban forestry professionals, participate in agency wide intern activities, and engage with constituents. This role is a great opportunity for candidates interested in municipal forestry management. The Municipal Forestry Technicians will be based out of Baby Queensbridge Park and will travel in an agency vehicle and via public transit citywide. These positions are funded up to twelve 40-hour work weeks, start date by June 2.

- Provide after planting and establishment care to recently planted street and park trees.
- Navigate city streets and parkland driving an agency vehicle.
- Perform safety checks on facilities and equipment.
- May move furniture, climb and perform other physical activities as required in the performance of assigned duties.
- Interact with staff and the public in a courteous and professional manner.

QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

A Motor Vehicle Driver License valid in the State of New York is required.

There are certain medical and physical requirements.

PREFERRED SKILLS/QUALIFICATIONS

- 1. Ability to drive to locations in all 5 boroughs.
- 2. Familiarity with navigating NYC by car and by public transportation.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills. Experience working with the public.
- 4. Ability to work independently.
- Strong computer skills, including Microsoft Office suite, Adobe Creative Suite.

Residency in New York City, Nassau, Orange, Rockland, Suffolk, Putnam or Westchester counties required for employees with over two years of city service. New York City residency required within 90 days of hire for all other candidates.

Fees: Hired candidates will be subject to a processing fee of \$61.00. Hired candidates who are not currently employed by the City will be subject to an \$88.25 background check fee.

HOW TO APPLY*:

Please email a cover letter and resume to: James Kaechele (james.kaechele@parks.nyc.gov).

Subject: Municipal Forestry Technician

*Current City Employees please include your ERN on your cover letter and resume.

POST UNTIL: FILLED POST DATE: 03/14/2025

References will be required upon request. Only candidates selected for an interview will be contacted.

If you have any questions regarding this posting or require a reasonable accommodation during the application process, please email James Kaechele (james.kaechele@parks.nyc.gov).

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