

CURRENTLY RECRUITINGLandscape Architect

Full-Time Position

Location: Libertyville, IL

Salary Range: \$83,450 - \$104,312 - \$125,299 Anticipated Hiring Range: \$83,450 - \$95,000

SUMMARY

The Landscape Architect utilizes landscape architectural and engineering knowledge to plan, design and implement recreation and natural resource capital improvement and land acquisition projects for the Lake County Forest Preserve District. Manages project design and planning teams and monitors public access projects, consultants, and project implementation to ensure they comply with budgets, schedules, and contract specifications. Conducts detailed field investigations, site inventories and technical analysis of soils, slopes, vegetation, drainage, and other existing conditions to determine design opportunities and constraints, and compiles and analyzes data to prepare feasibility studies and master land management plans for District properties. Manages and directs outside consultants for the preparation of wetland studies, plant inventories, topographic surveying, civil engineering, architecture, contract document preparation, permitting and other specialties for the District's planning or capital improvement projects.

EXPERIENCE

Bachelor's Degree in landscape architecture. Professional Landscape Architect, registered in Illinois with a license issued by the State of Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Registration. Five years' experience as a landscape architect including experience in project management, large scale master planning and site design. Advanced skills in Microsoft Office, Adobe Creative Suite, SketchUp, ArcGIS, and Computer Aided Design software (CAD). Full understanding of the native trees, shrubs and herbaceous ground cover and plant communities of northern Illinois. Analytical decision-making and organizational skills necessary to design complex engineering and planning projects, to understand and interpret construction plans, contract documents and specifications, and prepare master land management plans. Must possess valid driver's license.

HOW TO APPLY AND APPLICATION DEADLINES

Interest in employment with the Forest Preserve can only be expressed by submitting an application online at www.LCFPD.org. Positions are open until filled.

ABOUT LAKE COUNTY FOREST PRESERVES

The Lake County Forest Preserves offers an excellent work environment as well as a comprehensive benefits package, including medical, dental, and life insurance, IMRF pension plan, and paid vacation, personal, and sick leave.

As principal guardian of Lake County's open spaces and natural areas since 1958, we manage more than 31,400 acres of land and offer innovative educational, recreational, and cultural opportunities for all people. Visitors of all ages can enjoy over 210 miles of trail for a variety of outdoor recreation uses, ponds and lakes for fishing, public golf courses, historical and cultural venues, public access to the Fox River and Lake Michigan, and award-winning nature and history education programs and events.

AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY/AFFIRMATIVE ACTION EMPLOYER

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