



Help enhance Georgia's community forests, work with local communities, develop partnerships, educate and train.

Urban/Community Forestry Specialist – 2 positions – Camilla & Athens

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES:

- Provide assistance to communities with:
 - tree ordinance development/revision
 - training municipal tree-care workers
 - Tree City USA certification, recertification and expansion of community involvement including tree board development
 - tree plantings projects
 - tree risk assessments
 - storm mitigation planning and post-storm evaluations
 - land use planning to minimize the impacts of development
- Develop working relationships with partner organizations including the Georgia Tree Council, tree advocacy groups, Keep Georgia Beautiful affiliates, government agencies, and educational institutions
- Provide information and guidance on tree care, insect and disease problems and solutions for urban trees
- Develop professional relationships with policy makers at state and local level and educate policy makers on critical issues relative to forestry in the state
- Perform outreach and public relations activities including educational presentations, TV and radio appearances, development of professional training programs, and articles for local print
- Participate in Urban Forest Strike Team trainings and deployments

Qualifications

Bachelor's degree in forestry or a related field at an accredited four year college or university. Relevant work experience may be substituted for some, or all, of the educational requirements but core knowledge requirements must be met. Must be proficient in Word, Excel, and PowerPoint, and have excellent customer service and communication skills. Must have experience speaking to small and large audiences about a variety of natural resources issues and experience working with local governments and private landowners.

Preferred qualifications: A stand-alone degree with an urban forestry major, or an emphasis area in urban forestry within a forest management degree. A minimum of one year experience providing assistance to communities/community groups/non-profits involved in urban forestry and urban interface issues. ISA Certified Arborist.

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