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|  | County of AnokaEmployment Opportunity**An Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer****Apply online at: www.anokacounty.us** |
| Opening Date: February 13, 2017Closing Date: Continuous | **Salary: $10.50 - $11.50 Hourly****Job # :**  |
|  **SEASONAL Landscape Maintenance Technician Include responses to Supplemental Questions with the application no later than 4:30 p.m. on the closing date of the position. Resumes not accepted.**This position involves applying technical Plant Health Care principles and practices in developing, maintaining, and restoring the urban forest, formal gardens, landscape beds, and natural vegetation communities throughout the 11,000 acre Anoka County Park System. Areas of emphasis will include soil management, plant selection, plant division and propagation, integrated pest management, seed collection, pruning, weeding, watering, and fertilization. |
| **EXAMPLES OF ESSENTIAL DUTIES (ILLUSTRATIVE ONLY):**1. Implement planting of annual flowers and replacement of perennial flowers in existing landscapes.
2. Conduct site preparation, soil amendments, edging, planting and mulching of newly installed landscapes
3. Using an Integrated Pest Management approach, prescribe specific plant protectants as needed to foster plant health vigor and vitality.
4. Apply proper pruning techniques to enhance plant health, form, and function in the landscape.
5. Implement routine maintenance practices in the various landscape beds to include plant division, weeding, deadheading and watering.
6. Apply best management practices to water, fertilize, plant, prune and protect newly protected trees and shrubs.
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| **REQUIREMENTS:****WORKING CONDITIONS: 95% Field; 5% Office or Shop** Employee will be required to do sustained physical work in all weather conditions. Position functions require ability to manually transport awkward loads over short distances and operate a variety of mechanical and power tools and equipment relating to horticultural management. Employee will be required to use his/her personal vehicle on the job if no other County vehicles are available.**WORK HOURS:** 7:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday **DESIRED QUALIFICATIONS:** 1. Upper level student in a degree program in horticulture, landscaping, urban forestry, park management, natural resources management, or a closely related field, or a combination of equivalent knowledge gained through work experience.
2. Master Gardener and/or MNLA Certified
3. Ability to operate a variety of mechanical and power tools and equipment.
4. Ability to develop and maintain effective working relationships with other county employees, volunteer groups, park visitors, and natural resource professionals.
5. Must be able to work independently and complete assigned duties in a productive and efficient manner.

Anoka County complies with the Americans With Disabilities Act. (TDD-for hearing impaired 763-323-5544). If you need an accommodation because of a disability, or have further questions regarding the application process, please call Human Resources at 763-323-5525. |

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