



About This Role:

Kansas Forest Service is hiring a full-time District Community Forester position for the southeast district of the Community Forestry Program. The position supports the Community Forestry Program by assisting communities in planning, managing, education/outreach and developing tree resources to improve environmental, economic, ecological, social, beautification and recreational benefits. Responsibilities include:

- Providing community forestry technical assistance to communities and partners of the southeast district.
- Planning, developing, and conducting a balanced full-service forestry program to meet the needs of the resource and communities in a positive and professional manner.
- Establishing and maintaining cooperative working relationships with federal, state and local agencies, and organizations on forestry related programs.

Incumbent delivers community forestry services with limited direct supervision. Approximately 50% of the time will be spent in the field, travel is routine with occasional overnight travel for special duties and training. Work may need to be done in inclement weather on occasion. This position is located within the Southeast Community Forestry District in Haysville, KS.

Why Join Us:

The Kansas Forest Service is the 5th oldest state forestry agency in the country established in 1887, and is housed as an independent agency within K-State Research and Extension. The agency employs 35 full-time employees, and 40+ temporary and student positions, housed in Manhattan, KS and offices throughout the state. Our programs include Rural Forestry, Community Forestry, Fire Management, Conservation Tree Planting, Forest Health, and Marketing and Utilization. Learn more at our website: www.kansasforests.org

Kansas State University offers a comprehensive benefits package that includes health insurance, life insurance, retirement plans, paid time off – vacation, sick, and holidays. To see what benefits are available, please visit: <https://www.k-state.edu/hcs/benefits>

We Support Diversity and Inclusion:

Kansas State University embraces diversity and inclusion. The university actively seeks individuals who foster a collegial environment and cooperative interactions with coworkers, students, and others. The University is dedicated to promoting the [Principles of Community](#).

Worksite Options:

This position is required to be performed **on-site**. Work is performed on employer premises or designated assignment location.

Visit this [link](#) for K-State's guidance and policies on remote work and flexible work arrangements. Remote work agreements are required for all flexible work arrangements and are subject to review.

What You'll Need to Succeed:

Minimum Qualifications:

- Bachelor's Degree
- 2 years of experience in forestry, horticulture, landscape ecology or landscape architecture. Education such as a Master's degree can be substituted for required experience.

Preferred Qualifications:

- Bachelor of Science Degree in forestry or a closely related field
- 5 years of experience in forestry, horticulture, landscape ecology or landscape architecture
- Certified Arborist (KAA or ISA)
- Knowledge of tree identification, tree inventory, GIS, tree planting, pruning
- Experience utilizing the Microsoft office suite
- Ability to communicate in an effective and professional manner

Other Requirements:

- Applicants must be currently authorized to work in the United States at the time of employment.
- Valid driver's license

How to Apply:

Please submit the following documents:

1. Cover letter
2. Resume
3. Professional references
4. Academic transcripts (if applicable)

Screening of Applications Begins:

Screening begins immediately and continues until position is filled. For best consideration, apply by May 8, 2024.

Anticipated Hiring Pay Range:

\$47,000 - \$52,000

Equal Employment Opportunity:

Kansas State University is an Equal Opportunity Employer. All applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, age, national origin, disability or status as a protected veteran.

Background Screening Statement:

In connection with your application for employment, Kansas State University will procure a Background Screen on you as part of the process of considering your candidacy as an employee.