

The City of Forsyth is accepting applications for Powerline Technician (Lineman)- Qualified applicants may download an application at www.cityofforsyth.net or pick up an application at the Forsyth Electrical Department at 590 Montpelier Road, Forsyth Ga 31029. Applications and resumes should be submitted to Johnny Hodges at jhodges@cityofforsyth.com or mailed to City of Forsyth, PO Box 1447, Forsyth Ga 31029. The City of Forsyth is an EOE and a Drug Free workplace. Salary is dependent upon qualifications and experience.

SUMMARY:

This position requires the incumbent to perform skilled work in the installation, maintenance, and repair of underground and overhead electric distribution and service lines, transformers, meters, metering equipment, and related electrical equipment and components. Work involves moderate physical exertion, heavy lifting, and frequent exposure to inclement weather. Position is subject to standby and call-out duty. Position is also subject to random drug and alcohol testing.

QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:

To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty satisfactorily. The requirements listed below are representative of the knowledge, skill, and/or ability required. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform essential functions

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

The following duties are representative of the work required for this job. These are not to be construed as exclusive or all-inclusive. Other duties may be required and assigned.

- Installs and maintains high-voltage connectors, transformers, and switches in vaults, securing equipment, cables, various service lines, power poles, meters, and metering devices.
- Performs maintenance and repair to street lighting fixtures, recreational floodlight poles and buildings; replaces broken lamps, bulbs, reflectors, transformers, and fixtures; resets multiple breakers, tightens connectors, replaces wiring.
- Operates boom and bucket trucks and various power-driven machinery.
- Operates switches and related equipment.
- Establishes and maintains electric line clearances with other utilities.
- Uses the appropriate safety procedures and equipment associated with working on high-voltage electrical lines and equipment.
- Reads and interprets construction plans and schematics related to the installation of electrical power distribution lines.
- Keeps power lines free of obstructions, i.e. trimming trees away from power lines.
- Flags traffic according to DOT regulations.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:

The Lineman must be knowledgeable of the following principles, procedures, and concepts:

- Knowledge of the methods, materials, and equipment used in the Lineman trade.
- Knowledge of electrical theory and practices.
- Knowledge of the occupational hazards and safety precautions of the trade.

- Skill in the use of tools and equipment commonly used in the Lineman trade.
- Ability to withstand exposure to natural elements such as water, snow, wind, cold, and hot weather.
- Ability to perform the physical demands of the position.
- Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with supervisors, co-workers, other City employees, and the general public.
- Ability to understand and follow verbal and written instructions.
- Ability to communicate both verbally and in written form.

MINIMUM TRAINING AND/OR EXPERIENCE TO PERFORM ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS:

The Lineman should possess, at a minimum, a valid high school diploma or GED equivalent, plus three to five years of related work experience as a journeyman-level Lineman, or any combination of education, training, or relevant work experience equivalent to completion of a Lineman apprenticeship program sufficient to equip the incumbent with requisite skills for the job. Must hold certified completion of a lineman apprenticeship program or be able to complete the MEAG certification program.

NECESSARY SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

- Possession of a valid Commercial Driver's License.
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PHYSICAL DEMANDS:

The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions. While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to operate boom and bucket trucks, power-driven machinery such as hydraulic compression pumps, chain saws, jackhammers, and common hand tools used to repair and maintain overhead and underground power lines. Employee is required to perform work at heights greater than ten feet (in bucket or platform trucks) when installing equipment or connectors. Also, employee climbs ladders and poles and trims trees around energized electrical power lines. Employee must be able to bend, stoop, and lift and move objects weighing up to one hundred pounds.

WORK ENVIRONMENT:

The work environment characteristics described here are representative of those an employee encounters while performing the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions. The work environment is primarily outdoors including working in a variety of inclement weather conditions. Conditions also involve working around hazardous high-voltage energized lines and equipment.