

## **CITY JOB OPENINGS**

PAY, BENEFITS HAVE INCREASED

Looking for a new job or career change? Consider the City of Tulsa, which recently has increased pay for many positions and now offers paid parental leave among other benefits. The City of Tulsa has employment opportunities available in the professional, labor, administrative, information systems and technical fields.

The City of Tulsa also offers new-hire stipends ranging from \$1,000 to \$3,000 for critical positions including 911 operators, customer care agents, mechanics, police officers, electricians and others. Benefits offered to full-time employees include medical, dental, vision, retirement, life insurance, paid vacation, holidays and sick leave; many positions have advancement opportunities.

To apply for available positions or to look up job descriptions and pay rates, go to: **www.cityoftulsa.org/jobs** On this web page, you can create an account and register to be notified about positions in your areas of interest that may become available in the future. You will be alerted via email when new job opportunities arise.

The City of Tulsa is an equal opportunity employer and banthe-box employer. For certain positions criminal history is not requested until later in the hiring process. Additionally, the City of Tulsa has taken the Pay Equity Pledge, which is an ongoing commitment to provide employees equal pay for equal work, no matter a person's gender.



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# **D2 PREPAREDNESS IS KEY**

PLAN FOR FLOODS OR OTHER DISASTERS

During National Preparedness Month in September, remember to plan for your household and business. It's wise to assemble an emergency kit and have it ready if you need to evacuate. For more information about an emergency plan and emergency kit, visit: www.ready.gov/make-a-plan and www.ready.gov/build-a-kit

Be alert when storms approach. Access local news stations and follow weather updates. Download the Tulsa Ready App and listen for emergency sirens.

In Tulsa, the flood siren will be an alternating high-low tone; the tornado siren will be a steady, one-note tone. The flood siren is activated when the National Weather Service issues a flood warning for Tulsa and/or flooding of creeks or river channels has been verified and structures are threatened. The tornado siren is activated when the National Weather Service issues a tornado warning including Tulsa and/or the National Weather Service forecasts 80-mile-per-hour winds within 30 minutes of Tulsa.

Upon hearing the flood or tornado siren, residents should immediately move to higher ground in case of flood or go to their best available shelter from a tornado. Then continue to monitor weather radios and the broadcast media for further information.

When seeking shelter during severe weather, avoid flood prone areas. During any flood or high-water event, motorists should avoid driving through flood waters, and remember to "Turn Around, Don't Drown."

Know your risk of flooding. To find out if your home or business is in a floodplain, check online maps available at **http://maps.cityoftulsa.org/floodplains**. Call the City of Tulsa's Customer Care Center at 311 or (918) 596-7777 (outside city limits) to find out the flood hazards on your property and to find out ways to protect your property from flooding.

If you find out that your property is in a flood-prone area, buy a flood insurance policy. Since Tulsa achieved a Class 1 rating in 2021 for the National Flood Insurance Program, properties in the city limits are eligible for a 45-percent discount on flood insurance – the lowest in the nation. Also visit Floodsmart.gov to find out what you can do about your flood risk.



## **3** SAFE MEDICINE DISPOSAL

NEVER FLUSH MEDS DOWN TOILETS

Proper disposal of unused medications benefits people's health and the environment. Medications should not be left around the house, available for possible misuse by family members.

Also, medications should not be flushed down toilets. Our wastewater treatment plants are unable to remove the chemicals found in medications, so trace amounts of these drugs are discharged into local streams. Long-term exposure to these chemicals can harm aquatic wildlife.

Tulsa participates in two National Drug Take-Back Events each year: spring and fall. The next event will be in fall 2022.

Citizens can also take unwanted prescription drugs to one of the three Tulsa Police Division headquarters and to the Tulsa County Sheriff's office any time of the year, Monday through Friday, except for holidays. Locations and hours include:

- Tulsa Police Gilcrease Division, 3436 N. Delaware Ave., 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.
- Tulsa Police Mingo Valley Division, 10122 E. 11th St., 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.
- Tulsa Police Riverside Division, 7515 S. Riverside Dr., 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.
- Tulsa County Sheriff 303 W. First St., 8 a.m. 4 p.m.

# **WORKING IN THE YARD?**

VISIT CITY OF TULSA MULCH SITE

Tulsa is a green city, and our yards generate a lot of organic or garden materials – what we call "green waste." It's a valuable source of mulch for flower beds and can be used on land reclamation sites and for firewood in the winter.

Mulch is a protective covering spread or left on the ground to add nutrients back to the soil, retain moisture by reducing evaporation, suppress weeds, maintain an even soil temperature, and prevent erosion.

The City of Tulsa Mulch Site, located at 2100 N. 145th East Ave., is a green solution where residential and commercial customers can bring green waste to be recovered. Hours are 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, excluding City holidays.

You can drop off plant material including leaves, grass, tree limbs, brush, trunks up to 10 feet long, straw, and chipped trees. Anyone can pick up an unlimited amount of mulch and firewood at NO COST.

These services are available to everyone and are free to City of Tulsa, Broken Arrow, Jenks and Bixby utility customers. Just remember to bring your driver's license or your most recent City utility bill.

A small fee will be charged to commercial customers and residents from towns not listed above. Fees are paid by credit or debit card prior to dumping. No other form of payment will be accepted. See <a href="http://bit.ly/cot-mulch">http://bit.ly/cot-mulch</a>



# **POLLUTANT DISPOSAL**

BRING CHEMICALS TO CITY FACILITY

Ridding your home of chemicals and potentially hazardous items creates a safer home environment. Many of the chemicals we have in our households could be considered hazardous if used or disposed of in an improper way. The City of Tulsa Household Pollutant Collection Facility at 4502 S. Galveston Ave. is open for disposal of these items Wednesdays and Saturdays, 8-11:30 a.m. and noon - 4:30 p.m., excluding City holidays.

Tulsa residents may dispose of pollutants free at the facility. Non-Tulsa residents served by the Metropolitan Environmental Trust can get vouchers to dispose of up to 45 pounds before fees apply; call (918) 584-0584. A Swap Shop at the facility is open for customers to take up to five items.

The Household Pollutant Collection Facility is open for residential customers but not businesses disposing of commercial wastes. For more information about household pollutant disposal in Tulsa, see www.cityoftulsa.org/resourcerecovery

#### **ACCEPTED ITEMS:**

- Oil-based paints and thinners
- Latex paint
- Automotive fluids, flammable liquids
- Fluorescent and CFL lightbulbs
- Cooking oil/grease
- Aerosols, household cleaners
- Household and car batteries
- Pool and lawn chemicals
- Small electronics, mercury thermostats

#### **NON-ACCEPTED ITEMS:**

- Large electronics (TVs, monitors, computers)
- Industrial or commercial waste
- Medical or biomedical waste (syringes, needles)
- Asbestos
- Food or organic waste
- Radioactive material
- Ammunition, explosives
- Tires
- Unknown materials or substances

