

**City of Ferndale
Employment Opportunity
Public Works Laborer**

Jurisdiction: City of Ferndale
Job Title: Public Works Laborer
Employment Type: Full Time
Starting Salary: \$4,838/month
Salary Range: \$4,838 - \$5,751/month
Benefits: Medical, Dental, & Vision.
Washington State Public Employee Retirement System (PERS)
Generous sick leave/vacation accruals, plus 15 paid holidays per year

TO APPLY:

Submit letter of interest, [completed job application](#), and resume by mail or email to Susan Duncan, City of Ferndale, PO Box 936, Ferndale, WA 98248
susanduncan@cityofferndale.org

Closing date: July 26, 2024. Only complete applications will be considered.

REPORTS TO: Public Works Supervisor	DEPARTMENT: Public Works	CLASSIFICATION: Non-Exempt/Teamsters
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JOB SUMMARY:

The Public Works Laborer is an entry level position which performs a variety of manual labor in the construction, maintenance, and service work of all public works facilities, including water, sewer, streets and maintenance. Operates hand and power tools and some motorized equipment. Usually works as part of an assigned crew assisting Utility Workers but may carry out individual or specialized assignment.

ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:

- Assists Utility Worker in: cuts, fits, lays, connects, installs, repairs various sizes of water or sewer lines, installs valves, tees, crosses, reducers, sleeves, etc. per instructions.
- Uses hand tools and operates drills, jackhammer, mowers, weed eaters, torches, pavement, grinder, etc.
- Reads meters, turns on or shuts off water services to customers per work orders according to established procedures.
- Works with traffic control devices including barricades, flags, signs, buttons, and performs other safety related duties.
- Works with asphalt, crack sealing, concrete, gravel, tree removal, building constructions and all areas of public works.

WORK ENVIRONMENT:

Work is performed indoors and outdoors during all weather conditions during daylight hours and at night in emergencies. The work is in a high-risk environment which requires special safety precautions around heavy equipment operation, possible contact with human waste and blood borne pathogens, and prolonged physical efforts in confined spaces.

EXPERIENCE AND TRAINING REQUIREMENTS:

- One year of building, craft, trade or other public works related construction and equipment operator experience with good teamwork and communications skills.
- Completion of high school (diploma or G.E.D.), or its equivalent.

NECESSARY SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

- Valid Washington Driver's License and a safe driving record.
- Physical ability to perform essential functions of the job. Must pass job related physical capacities evaluation at time of hire.

OTHER

The statements contained in this job description reflect general details as necessary to describe the principal functions of this job, the level of knowledge and skill typically required, and the scope of responsibility. It should not be considered an all-inclusive listing of work requirements. Individuals may perform other duties as assigned, including work in other functional areas to cover absences or provide relief, to equalize peak work periods, or otherwise to balance the workload.