

SOLID WASTE COLLECTOR – PUBLIC WORKS

Cherokee County, SC



Location

541 Concord Road
Gaffney, SC 29341

Job Type

Full Time

Department

PUBLIC WORKS – SOLID WASTE

FLSA

NON-EXEMPT

Job Summary

Performs solid waste collection services on assigned routes by collecting household garbage throughout Cherokee County, the City of Gaffney, and the Town of Blacksburg. Responsible for physically moving waste carts to collection trucks, loading refuse into sanitation trucks, assisting drivers with inspections and maintenance tasks, and ensuring waste is collected in a safe and efficient manner.

Essential Functions

Essential Functions	% of Time
Solid Waste Collection Duties	70%
- Pick up household garbage on assigned routes on a daily basis.	
- Move waste carts from set areas to truck tipplers and return carts to proper location after collection.	
- Load garbage into sanitation trucks and assist driver during route operations.	
- Ensure work areas remain clean and avoid contributing to littering or environmental disturbances.	
- Assist driver with daily pre-trip and post-trip inspections of sanitation vehicles.	
Vehicle and Equipment Support	25%
- Assist in performing daily and weekly vehicle maintenance tasks including washing trucks and cleaning the cab and packer area.	

- Help ensure sanitation vehicles and equipment remain in safe working condition.
- Follow safety procedures and use required equipment when performing duties.

Other Duties as Assigned 5%

- Perform other duties as deemed necessary to support solid waste operations.

Qualifications

Education and Experience

- High school diploma or GED preferred. No prior experience is required; however, experience in sanitation work, manual labor, or outdoor work is helpful.
- Equivalent combinations of education, training, and experience may be considered.

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities

- Knowledge of basic safety practices related to sanitation and waste collection operations.
- Ability to collect and load household garbage on assigned routes in an efficient and safe manner.
- Ability to assist sanitation truck drivers with daily route operations and equipment inspections.
- Ability to perform routine maintenance duties including washing trucks and cleaning equipment areas.
- Ability to follow instructions and perform physical labor in a fast-paced work environment.
- Ability to work effectively with coworkers while maintaining safe work practices.

Working Conditions

Primary Work Location: Cherokee County Public Works
541 Concord Road Gaffney, SC 29340

Physical Demands

Frequently requires the need to sit, operate computer equipment, transport and reposition <5 pounds of material/equipment from ground to waist and at waist level.

Mental Demands

Continuously requires the general ability to learn and to understand instructions and underlying principles; understand and follow oral and written instruction, and the ability to make decisions in accordance with established procedures and policies.

Americans with Disabilities Act Compliance

Cherokee County is an Equal Opportunity Employer. To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential job duty satisfactorily. Reasonable accommodation may be made to enable qualified individuals with disabilities to perform essential job functions. Prospective and current employees should contact Human Resources to request ADA accommodation.

Disclaimer

The above information on this description has been designed to indicate the general nature and level of work performed by employees within this classification. It is not designed to contain or be interpreted as a comprehensive inventory of all duties, responsibilities, and qualifications required of employees assigned to this job.