



GENERAL LABORER

The Washington State Fair Events Center is hiring a General Laborer to execute set-up and tear-down of year-round events and signature events happening at the Washington State Fair Events Center. Responsible for providing general custodial services to facility buildings and event spaces. Work directly with show producers, rental customers and part-time staff to meet event demands that include event preparation. Other duties as assigned, which may be outside the above scope of work to support the organization's goals and objectives.

WHO WE ARE

Located in the shadow of Mt. Rainier, the Washington State Fair Events Center features a 165-acre, campus-like setting for year 'round use. The events center hosts 129+ events throughout the year plus the organization's self-produced signature events.

Started in 1900, the Washington State Fair is the largest fair in the state and in the Pacific Northwest, and one of the biggest in the world. The 20-day fair starts the Friday of Labor Day, and welcomes more than a million guests who enjoy top-name entertainment, animals and agriculture, feature exhibits, shopping, the arts, food and rides. Each April, the Washington State Spring Fair is held over two weekends featuring animals, agriculture, shopping, free entertainment, food and rides.

In addition to the fairs, the Washington State Fair Event Center produces Oktoberfest Northwest in October, The Taste Northwest in July, and Holiday Magic in December. Oktoberfest Northwest features three days of great food, drinks, entertainment and activities for all ages. The Taste Northwest is a three-day extravaganza welcoming a diverse array of restaurants, food trucks, and entertainment for all ages. Holiday Magic is a festive winter experience filled with lighted displays, ice skating, live nativity animals, festive food and drinks, rides, a night market and more!

Mission - We provide Washington's home to gather and celebrate for generations to come.

Core Purpose – To celebrate life in Washington.

Core Values – Education, Family and Fun.

ESSENTIAL JOB DUTIES

- Transport small buildings, bleachers, furnishings, supplies and equipment around the grounds.
- Dig ditches, performing ground surface preparation, and aiding with utility installations.
- Clean and maintain building envelopes, gutters, and downspouts.
- Hang and remove holiday decorations, install festoon lighting.
- Install and remove stage covers and portable structure tents and awnings.
- Assist with signature and facility rental event set-ups.
- Perform minor repair to rental supplies and equipment, such as tables, chairs, staging, etc. for preventative maintenance.
- Assist with cleaning and maintaining barns and stables as needed and assigned.

- Perform a variety of grounds keeping duties that may include mowing, watering, weeding, thatching, repairing lawns, laying sod or seed, moving and setting sprinklers as directed.
- Clean up property and grounds of debris and contaminants.
- Respond to and correct safety hazards on the grounds
- Assist with hanging and cleaning signage
- Operate and maintain a wide variety of special vehicles and equipment associated with setup and teardowns such as forklifts, trucks, tractors, lifts, electric carts, small hand tools and cleaning equipment.
- Assist with performing inventory of fair equipment, disbursement, and delivery.
- Provide basic electrical drops to building occupants. Assist electricians as needed with minor electrical service.

IDEAL QUALIFICATIONS

- High School diploma or equivalent; and 1 or more years of related experience and/or training; or equivalent combination of education and experience as a general laborer, maintenance, custodial, event support or similar.
- Must plan and coordinate projects with other departments, vendors, private organizations, and contractors.
- Work well under pressure managing multiple aspects of work with deadlines, scopes of work, and expectations that require quality outcomes.
- Must work independently and have good organizational skills.
- Must have the ability to independently assess, problem solve, and resolve issues related to safe use and operation of systems, equipment, and tools.
- Must work well independently and collaboratively in team environments.
- Forklift, Scissor Lift, Boom Lift, backhoes and tractor Certifications and/or training completion are desired and are required upon successful completion of probationary period.
- This position requires the ability to stand for up to 8 hours, work in all weather conditions, and lift and/or move up to 100 lbs. Interior and exterior work settings.

COMPENSATION & BENEFITS

The pay range for this position is \$ \$17.75 – \$26.62 hourly based on an assessment of knowledge, skills and experience of the candidate offered and includes a comprehensive benefits package comprised of healthcare coverage options; vacation and sick leave accrual; and retirement plan.

HOW TO APPLY

Please email cover letter and resume to jillianc@thefair.com. Job posting will remain open until the position is filled.