

Landscape Designer - Part-time Opportunity

The Neighborhood Design Center (NDC) seeks a part-time landscape designer to support ongoing landscape design efforts in our seven-person Prince George's County office. This is a perfect opportunity for a creative and motivated self-starter to work on a variety of projects to improve neighborhoods throughout Prince George's County. NDC is a collaborative, interdisciplinary environment with landscape architects, urban planners, architects, urban foresters, and social designers, all committed to social justice.

What you'll do:

The landscape designer will work with NDC senior designers on select projects, focused on placemaking, streetscaping, planting design, and sustainable stormwater management. Typical projects might be design of a roadway planting, or creating an illustrative plan for a school outdoor space. Tasks include basic landscape design using a primarily native plant palette and creating graphic and landscape design documents for internal and external use.

Tasks include:

- Under supervision of NDC senior designers, develop landscape design packages for a variety of community and school landscapes
- Create graphic communications for internal and external use
- With NDC staff, perform onsite assessments for small built environment projects

Experience needed

- Significant coursework in landscape architecture in a professional degree program
- Energetic and self-directed, with effective time management and organizational skills
- Experience in a professional design office desirable

Required skills and attributes

- Excellent design skills
- Knowledge of native plants, their attributes and life cycle requirements
- Ability to articulate concepts verbally and in writing
- Facility with AutoCAD, Photoshop, InDesign, and Illustrator
- Knowledge of ArcGIS / Sketchup desirable

Opportunities

The selected candidate will have the opportunity to work in a project team that may include county or municipal staff, teachers and school personnel and NDC design staff.

The person will develop their knowledge base for landscape design using a primarily native plants palette, gain project experience and increase software skills in programs such as Photoshop, InDesign, Illustrator, ArcGIS, AutoCad, and Excel.

Hours, Location, and Application

The position is 10-15 hours per week, beginning in February 2020 and ending in June 2020. Pay is \$18-\$22/hr, depending on experience. The base office is located at 4318 Gallatin Street, Hyattsville, MD 20781. Due to the nature of the position, some flexibility in scheduling is desirable.

About Us:

The Neighborhood Design Center provides access to pro bono design services in underserved communities in Baltimore City and Prince George's County, MD. In collaboration with neighborhood groups, local government agencies and fellow nonprofits, we support locally driven initiatives for neighborhoods pursuing improved quality of life within their built environments.

At NDC, we believe:

- Inclusive community driven process plays a determining role in the quality of design.
- Healthy places are built with consideration for social justice, environmental sustainability, and comprehension of the true character of a place and its people.
- Everyone should have access to design excellence.
- Unlikely alliances between local experts, design experts, government agencies, and nonprofit organizations are a key to neighborhood success.
- Well-designed places enhance healthy cultural and democratic life in our neighborhoods.

To Apply:

Submit cover letter, resume, design sample under 5MB, and at least one professional reference to: dpuzey@ndc-md.org

All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to their race, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, age, disability, marital status or medical condition.