

October 8, 2026

Recruitment Announcement Facilities Maintenance Technician

**Position Starting Wage: \$29.40
Excellent Benefits Package****Open Until Filled**

Why Work at Cherriots?

Cherriots is the public transit provider serving Marion and Polk counties. Every day, we connect people to work, school, healthcare, shopping, and the places that matter most through local, regional, and paratransit services. Our employees play a vital role in keeping our community moving by providing safe, reliable transportation that people can depend on.

Cherriots is an equal opportunity employer committed to fostering a workplace where everyone feels welcome, valued, and respected. We believe a diverse workforce strengthens our organization and encourages individuals from all backgrounds to apply.

A career at Cherriots offers more than a paycheck. We provide competitive pay, excellent benefits, and the stability of public-sector employment. Whether you're just starting your career or looking to grow, you'll find opportunities to develop your skills, advance within the organization, and make a meaningful impact on the community.

About the Role:

Under the administrative direction of the Facilities Maintenance Supervisor, the Facilities Maintenance Technician performs preventive maintenance and repairs on equipment commonly used in a fleet maintenance shop.

Duties:

- Perform inspections, lubrication, filter replacement, and repairs on equipment; document and report mechanical defects found during inspections to the supervisor.
- Perform daily rounding of facilities and equipment, checking for needed maintenance or repairs.

- Check and maintain all fluid levels in shop equipment, such as oil and hydraulic fluid.
- Perform routine maintenance and repair to vehicle fueling equipment that dispenses petroleum-based fuels and compressed natural gas.
- Record work performed, time worked, and parts used.
- Clean tools and work area. Follow all safety procedures for work area and work assignments.
- Communicate orally and in writing with other employees and the general public at the level necessary to satisfactorily perform the position's duties.
- Interact with other employees and the general public using courtesy, tact, and good judgment.
- Act as a positive representative of Cherriots.
- Work cooperatively with others, respect co-workers, and promote teamwork.
- Report to work on time and on a regular, predictable basis.
- Perform general cleaning and custodial duties such as sweeping, mopping, vacuuming, disposing of wastepaper, cleaning restrooms, dusting, polishing, and washing windows.
- Perform minor maintenance and repair functions on facilities (e.g., inspect and maintain light fixtures; change light bulbs and tubes; unclog lavatories).
- Assists in installing, cleaning, and maintaining bus stop signs and bus shelters.
- Regular and reliable attendance is an essential function of this position. This role requires that employees be present and engaged during assigned work hours to effectively collaborate with team members, customers, and fulfill operation needs. The ability to consistently adhere to a defined work schedule, and be present onsite, is crucial to the successful performance of this role's job duties and responsibilities because the essential duties of this role require using tools and/or equipment physically located onsite.
- Perform additional duties as assigned.

What You Will Need to Be Successful in This Role:

- Working knowledge of vehicle servicing equipment and tools, basic mechanical parts and accessories, greasing and lubricating procedures, hazards, and safety precautions followed in heavy equipment shops.
- Skilled in maintaining vehicle wash systems, vehicle lifts, and in-ground sprinkler systems.
- Skilled in operating and repairing air compressors, including rebuilding air pumps and air tools.
- Skilled in locating routine defects in equipment, such as damaged hoses or belts.
- Skilled in safely and effectively operating the necessary tools used in servicing equipment.

- Make basic arithmetical computations accurately (addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division).
- Safely operate various Cherriots vehicles, including service trucks, automobiles, and forklifts.

Education and Experience:

- High school diploma or GED.
- Four (4) years of experience in facilities maintenance or related field.
- Candidates with any satisfactory combination of related experience and training that equips them with the required knowledge, abilities, and skills for this position are encouraged to apply. Cherriots reserves the right to determine the equivalences of education and experience.

Special Requirements:

- Must present Cherriots with a valid Oregon driver's license and maintain a driving record that demonstrates adherence to safety and traffic laws and regulations.
- Successfully pass a background check and an education verification, if applicable.
- Pass a drug test (including marijuana), physical exam, and criminal background check.
- Able to work day, swing, or night shifts at our Salem locations. Schedules are based on seniority.
- Experience navigating a labor union environment preferred.

Physical Requirements

- Requires prolonged periods of sitting, standing, and walking.
- Must be able to operate a computer, keyboard, tools, equipment, and other devices necessary to perform the essential functions of the position.
- Must be able to prepare, review, and interpret information presented in electronic and printed formats.
- Must be able to effectively communicate and accurately exchange information with coworkers, customers, and the public using verbal, written, and electronic communication methods.
- Regularly carries items weighing up to 20 pounds and lifts, carries, pushes, or pulls items weighing up to 20 pounds. Occasionally carries 50-100 pounds with team lift/carry whenever possible.
- Requires frequent bending, twisting, climbing, crawling, kneeling, and changes in body position.

- Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable qualified individuals with disabilities to
- perform the essential functions of the position.

Working Conditions

- Work is performed both inside and outside Cherriots buildings, so there will be some exposure to inclement weather.
- Exposure to dust, fumes, cleaning agents, etc., typical of custodial/building maintenance work.
- Subject to varying shift schedules, including callbacks in emergencies.
- Must travel occasionally to attend meetings and conferences.

To Apply:

Applications are preferred over resumes.

If you have any questions about the application or selection process, or **if you need an accommodation at any stage**, please contact our Human Resources Specialist at recruitment@cherriots.org or 503-361-7502. They're your go-to resource for anything related to the application process.

To obtain an application:

- **Email:** Request that an application and recruitment announcement be sent by emailing recruitment@cherriots.org.
- **Internet:** Access our online application via the Cherriots' careers page.
<https://www.cherriots.org/careers/>
- **Telephone:** Request that an application be sent to you by calling the Human Resources Department at 503-588-2424.
- **Mail:** Request an application via mail.
Cherriots
Attn: HR Specialist, Human Resources Department
555 Court St NE, Suite 5230
Salem, OR 97301

Selection Process:

- The candidate will be notified via email within two weeks of submitting their application regarding the status.
- The candidate will be selected based on the results of:
 - Resume review
 - Application review
 - Panel interview
 - Drug screen
 - Criminal background check
 - Physical exam
 - Driving record review



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Bargaining Benefits

as of 7/1/2026

At time of hire

- **Sick Leave** - 3.70 hours, accrued bi-weekly, available after 90 days.
- **11 Paid Holidays per year**
 - New Year's Day
 - Martin Luther King Jr. Day
 - Presidents Day
 - Memorial Day
 - Juneteenth
 - Independence Day
 - Labor Day
 - Veterans Day
 - Thanksgiving Day & the Day After
 - Christmas Day
- **Felonious Assault Insurance** - American International Group - \$100,000 in coverage - Premium 100% paid by the District.
- **Employee Assistance Program (EAP)** - Canopy - Confidential support for life's challenges, including mental health and grief counseling, financial and legal resources, and more. Premium is 100% paid by the District.
- **Universal Bus Pass** - Ride Cherriots buses for free.

Starting the first day of the month following hire date

- **Medical and Prescription Insurance** - Moda Health or Kaiser Permanente Plus - Premium is 100% paid by the District.
- **Vision and Hearing Insurance** - Ameritas/VSP - Premium is 100% paid by the District.
- **Dental Insurance** - Delta Dental / Moda - Premium is 100% paid by the District.

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After completion of Trial Service

- **Vacation Leave** - Accrued bi-weekly from date of hire. Accrual schedule starts at:
0-2 years of service | 3.08 hours bi-weekly | 10 days per year
- **Life Insurance, Accidental Death & Dismemberment Insurance** - Reliance Standard.
 - \$23,000 for employee - 100% paid by District.
 - \$2,000 for spouse - 100% paid by District.
 - \$1,000 for dependents - 100% paid by District.
- **Defined Benefit Retirement Plan** - Retirement benefit equal to $1.64\% \times (\text{years of service}) \times (\text{final average salary})$
- **Health Retirement Account** - HRA VEBA - \$838 provided by the District annually, prorated contribution upon completion of trial service.
- **Family Bus Pass** - Eligible dependents ride free.

Voluntary employee funded benefits

- **Voluntary Long Term Disability Insurance** - Reliance Standard
- **Voluntary Supplemental Term Life Insurance** - Reliance Standard.
 - Guaranteed issue of \$100,000 for employee, \$20,000 for spouse, and \$15,000 for child(ren).
- **Deferred Compensation Plan** - MissionSquare Retirement.
- **Legal and Identity Protection** - LegalShield and IDShield.
- **Flexible Spending Account (FSA)** - Professional Benefits Services.

NOTE:

This is a summary of benefits provided by Salem Area Mass Transit District for employees and dependents. It should not be construed as full or final information on these benefits, which are subject to change. For complete details and requirements, please refer to Personnel Policies and Contract of Insurance.