

Career Opportunities

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CITY OF CHEHALIS



“Where Heart and History Shape Our Future”

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Chehalis – Where Heart and History Shape Our Future

Chehalis is a close-knit community where historic charm; character and a rich heritage are preserved and cherished.



Brimming with interesting and unique businesses and attractions, it boasts three districts on the National Register of Historic Places. Residents have quick and easy access to many cultural activities, fairs, concerts, and a wide assortment of annual events. From its start as a pioneer logging, milling and agricultural community to today's mix of residential, retail, light industrial and manufacturing, Chehalis is a community where neighbors know they can rely on one another for help and support.

Housing in the Chehalis area is very affordable with options ranging from new construction to renovated historic homes. Acreage is readily available in the immediate area with scenic timber and farmlands giving way to spectacular views of snowcapped mountains.

The Region

Located along Western Washington's I-5 corridor, Chehalis is midway between Seattle and Portland. The area offers unparalleled

scenic locations and outdoor opportunities including nearby Mt. St. Helens, Mt. Rainier and the beautiful Pacific Ocean. With just a short drive you can ski and snowmobile at White Pass, water ski on 23-mile long Riffe Lake, fish for record-size salmon and steelhead on the Cowlitz River or play a round of golf on one of several area courses.

Parks and Recreation

The city has over 300 acres of parks with an exceptionally popular recreation program.

In August 2014, the Gail and Carolyn Shaw Aquatics Center opened to thousands of eager attendees thanks to the incredible financial support and dedication of area civic groups, individuals, and businesses.



The City has since partnered with the Chehalis Foundation to bring the remainder of park features at Recreation Park up to the standard of the Aquatics Center. This \$3.7 million revitalization project (including the new Penny Playground) received \$1.3 million in private and community donations and \$1.7 million in State and Federal Grants. The Park includes a new accessible playground area with four synthetic turf athletic fields, new drainage system, energy efficient lighting, walking paths, and safety fencing around the playground.



The Schools

The Chehalis School District serves 2,600 students with comprehensive and challenging academic and extra-curricular programs. The district has a national reputation for excellence, consistently providing students with a solid foundation for advanced education and trades. Recent additions to the Chehalis School District include two new elementary school buildings and a state-of-the-art STEM center addition to the high school.



Centralia College is nearby, offering over 50 academic and transfer programs, including newly accredited Bachelor of Applied Science programs.

Working for the City of Chehalis

The City employs roughly 100 full and part-time personnel in multiple departments, all of which perform critical jobs necessary to provide safety and services to the residents and visitors of Chehalis.

We also employ approximately 30 part time seasonal employees who assist staff in the summer months in Public Works, Parks and Recreation, and our aquatics center.

Non-Management employee generally belong to one of three bargaining groups: The Chehalis Police Officer's Guild; the IAFF

2510 for Firefighters; and the Teamsters 252 Union for non-uniformed employees.

The City provides competitive salaries along with medical, dental, and vision insurance as well as enrollment in the Washington Department of Retirement Systems' PERS or LEOFF Programs. Depending on the bargaining unit an employee belongs to, the City pays between 80% and 95% of medical insurance premiums.

Applying for Positions

All job openings for the City of Chehalis are first published on our website. The job posting will include the job description, and supplemental requirements to the application, and instructions for what forms will be required.

Jobs will also be advertised elsewhere and online but will always redirect applicants back to the website for official information.

You can visit the website and current job postings at:

<https://www.ci.chehalis.wa.us/jobs>

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