

JOIN OUR TEAM!

# WE'RE HIRING



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## 01 CITY JOB OPENINGS


JOIN OUR TEAM TO SERVE OUR CITIZENS

Are you looking for a new job or career change? Check out the employment opportunities available at the City of Tulsa. The City is looking for team players who are interested in providing outstanding customer service to the citizens of Tulsa.

The City of Tulsa also is offering incentives for individuals: a new-hire stipend ranging from \$1,000 to \$3,000. Positions include 911 operators, customer care agents, mechanics, police officers, electricians, and many more! Full-time positions offer benefits including medical, dental, vision, retirement, life insurance, paid vacation, holidays and sick leave.

To search for available positions – including which ones offer stipends, look up job descriptions and fill out an application online, go to [www.cityoftulsa.org/jobs](http://www.cityoftulsa.org/jobs). While visiting the City of Tulsa's Employment page, you can create a personalized account online and register to be notified about available positions in your areas of interest. Select the job categories in which you are interested; you will be alerted via email when new job opportunities arise.

The City of Tulsa is an equal opportunity employer and has a ban-the-box policy, which eliminates the criminal history question from most of its initial job applications. Additionally, the City of Tulsa has also taken the Pay Equity Pledge, which is an ongoing commitment to provide employees equal pay for equal work, no matter a person's gender.



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**CITY JOBS AVAILABLE**

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**KEEP STREAMS CLEAN**

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Prevent stormwater pollution. Storm sewers drain to creeks and rivers.

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**SANITARY SEWER SAFETY**

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Call immediately if you have a sewage overflow or backup: (918) 586-6999.

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**GET A BUILDING PERMIT**


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Ensure safety of new construction or structure repairs in a floodplain.

**+ PLUS: PREPARE TO BE SAFE IN WINTER STORMS**

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## 02 SAVE OUR STREAMS

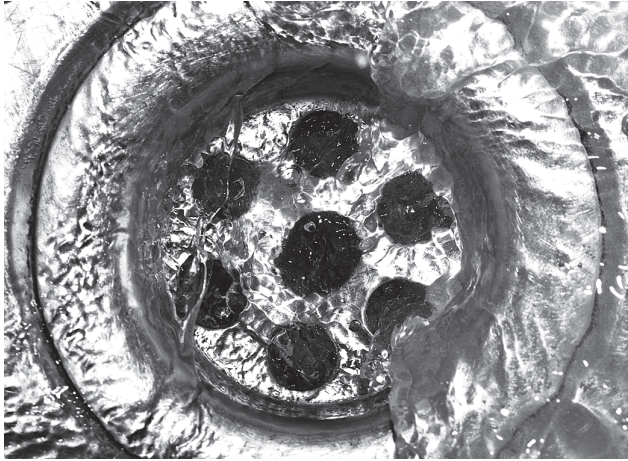
KEEP STORM SEWERS POLLUTANT-FREE

The City of Tulsa's storm sewer system is the series of outside drains located in our streets that route rainwater to creeks, lakes and rivers. The water that goes into these drains is not cleaned or treated before it reaches them. This makes it very important to not let pollutants spill on the ground and enter our storm sewer system.

City workers regularly monitor the system for pollution. Crews also routinely remove debris from drains and sewers to prevent water from backing up into streets and homes. It is illegal to introduce pollutants into the system. Pollutants include lawn chemicals, car fluids, soaps, leaves and grass, pet waste and basically anything that isn't pure rainwater.

It is important to protect the quality and control the quantity of the water flowing into the drainage system. Here are steps you can take to protect Tulsa's creeks and reduce flood risks:

- **Maintain vehicles to prevent fluid leaks. Don't pour used motor oil, antifreeze, pesticides or other pollutants into storm drains. Storm drains are for rain.**
- **Pick up pet waste and dispose of it in the sanitary sewer, throw it in the trash or bury it in the yard to prevent harmful bacteria from entering our storm sewer system.**
- **Use a mulching mower or bag grass and leaves instead of blowing them into streets. Yard wastes clog storm drains and deplete oxygen in the water. Fish need oxygen to survive.**
- **Apply fertilizers and pesticides properly. Read labels to determine how much and when to apply. The Master Gardener program has volunteers trained to answer questions about pesticides and fertilizers. Call the Master Gardener Hotline at (918) 746-3701 or visit: [www.tulsamastergardeners.org](http://www.tulsamastergardeners.org)**
- **Pick up litter around your home or business so that it doesn't collect on drain inlets or clog sewer pipes.**
- **Report storm drain issues such as blockage, improper disposal of yard wastes and/or illegal fluid discharges by calling 311 or visiting [www.Tulsa311.com](http://www.Tulsa311.com)**



### 03 SEWAGE OVERFLOW

REPORT BACKUPS/PREVENT BLOCKAGES

If you see, hear, or smell anything that may be a sewage overflow or backup in your home, call (918) 586-6999. The City's Sewer Operations and Maintenance Division is available to take your call around the clock. If needed, our work crews can inspect and take action. When calling, please be ready to describe where you see the overflow. Helpful details include an address and a specific location such as a street intersection, backyard, alleyway, garage drain, etc.

To prevent many of these sewer line blockages, never pour fats, oils or grease down the drain. These materials harden and block your sewage lines, causing costly plumbing repairs to your private lines. Fats, oils, and grease also create problems for your neighbors when the blockages occur in the City's lines. Proper disposal is easy. Just pour fats, oils and grease into a coffee can or other durable container and place in your trash.

Other problematic items include disposable wipes (also known as flushable wipes), prophylactics, and personal hygiene products. Although these products may flush from your toilet, they cause maintenance issues for our sanitary sewer system.

The Water and Sewer Department cleans approximately 500 miles of sanitary sewer lines each year, but we still need your help in preventing sewer overflows. For more details, visit: [www.trapthegreasetulsa.com](http://www.trapthegreasetulsa.com)

## WINTER PREPAREDNESS

MAKE SAFETY YOUR TOP PRIORITY

Each year, Tulsa usually experiences a few winter storms with potentially hazardous conditions. Here are some steps for readiness in case of winter storms.\*

### HAVE A PLAN

- **Discuss with your family what to do if a winter storm watch or warning is issued. Download the TulsaReady App on your phone**
- **Check that family, friends, neighbors, especially the elderly, are prepared.**
- **Remember your pets. Make sure they have food, water and shelter.**
- **Have your car winterized by checking antifreeze, washer blades, tire pressure, etc.**

### IF YOU MUST GO OUT IN A WINTER STORM, ASSEMBLE A KIT FOR YOUR CAR INCLUDING:

- **Cell phone with extra battery or two-way radio**
- **Windshield scraper and small broom for ice and snow removal**
- **Blankets or sleeping bags**
- **Rain gear and extra sets of dry clothing, mittens or gloves, socks and a cap**
- **Non-perishable snacks like dried fruit or nuts**
- **Bottled water**
- **Sand or cat litter for generating traction under wheels and a set of tire chains or traction mats**
- **Jumper cables, flashlight with extra batteries and first aid kit**

\* Source: Tulsa Area Emergency Management Agency, Oklahoma Department of Emergency Management, [www.ready.gov](http://www.ready.gov)



## 04 PERMITS NECESSARY

CONSTRUCT SAFELY IN A FLOODPLAIN

The City of Tulsa requires property owners to obtain building permits for new construction, improvements, remodeling and additions. Permits also are required for building repair for anything more than just cleanup after a storm or other damaging event. For safety from flooding, it is especially important to get a building permit when constructing in flood-prone areas.

Tulsa's permitting process is designed to ensure that construction and building repairs are safe. Before beginning construction or adding on to an existing building, find out which permits are needed by contacting the Permit Center at (918) 596-9456.

To help protect buildings in the floodplain, building codes require that new residential buildings be elevated at least 1 foot above the regulatory flood elevation. Non-residential buildings may be elevated or floodproofed a minimum of 1 foot above the regulatory flood elevation.

For substantial improvements to existing buildings, elevating or floodproofing may be required for new additions or major remodels if improvements cost 50 percent or more of the market value of the existing building. This requirement also applies to repairs or a rebuild worth 50 percent or more of the building's market value.

Even if you're not constructing a building, a floodplain permit must be obtained from the City before commencing any grading, filling, or excavation. Also get a building permit when installing safe rooms in flood prone areas. Always remember when seeking shelter during severe weather, avoid flood prone areas. Download the Tulsa Ready App.

Know your risk of flooding. Call City of Tulsa's Customer Care Center at 311 to find out the flood hazards on your property. Detailed floodplain boundary maps are available for viewing online at <http://maps.cityoftulsa.org/floodplains>. You also may call City of Tulsa's Customer Care Center at 311 to find out ways to protect your property from flooding.