

# AGRICULTURAL RELATIONS SPECIALIST

**Temporary** 

At Red Deer County, we're more than just a workplace – we're a community. Our team is made up of passionate, collaborative individuals dedicated to making a positive impact in our municipality and the lives of the people we serve.

Are you passionate about agriculture and making a meaningful impact in your community? Red Deer County is seeking a dynamic and dedicated **Agricultural Services Specialist** to champion agricultural education, awareness, and advocacy. This is your chance to be a vital link between producers, markets, and other community partners and collaborators, while driving innovation and sustainability in the agricultural sector.

#### What You Will Do

As the **Agricultural Relations Specialist**, reporting to the Agricultural Services Manager, you'll play a vital role on our Agricultural Services team. You'll be involved with innovative marketing and educational initiatives, organize workshops and events, and foster connections between producers, markets, and community partners. From conducting agricultural impact assessments to researching trends and advocating for policy change, you'll shape the future of agriculture in Red Deer County. You'll also collaborate with partners and represent the County on committees to advance agricultural programs.

- Coordinate workshops, field days, and tours to enhance awareness of rural living, conservation, and environmental stewardship.
- Develop, organize and implement promotions, marketing and support for Agricultural Services programs
- Conduct research, develop policy initiatives, and provide advice on agri-environmental concerns.
- Assist with external communications and facilitate connections between producers and markets.
- Liaise with industry leaders, strategic partners, and neighbouring municipalities to advance cooperative initiatives.
- Oversee budgets, maintain records, and pursue external funding opportunities to expand program outreach.
- Undertake additional projects and responsibilities to support department goals.

Your contributions will ensure that Red Deer County continues to grow and serve its community with efficiency, professionalism, and innovation.

### What You Bring to the Team

- Post-secondary education in Agriculture, Environment, or a related field with 3+ years of experience. An equivalent combination of education and experience may be considered.
- Expertise in agricultural production, policy analysis, and environmental stewardship programs.
- Proven ability to deliver impactful events and engage diverse audiences.
- Proven leadership abilities, excellent communication, and a knack for multitasking.
- High proficiency in Microsoft Office is essential.

All resumes, and personal information provided therein, will be handled in accordance with the Province of Alberta *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy* (FOIPP) legislation. The personal information that you provide to Red Deer County is being collected solely for the purpose of applying for employment. Any questions or concerns should be directed to our FOIPP Coordinator at 403-357-5394.

• An acceptable Criminal Record Check and acceptable Drivers' Abstract.

## Why You'll Love Working with Us

At Red Deer County, we prioritize the well-being and work/life balance of our employees, ensuring you have time for both your career and personal life. Joining our team means becoming part of a supportive and inclusive environment that values innovation, positivity, and growth.

As a Red Deer County employee, you'll enjoy:

- **Flexible working conditions:** A blend of indoor office work and outdoor field activities that keeps your days varied and engaging.
- **Collaborative Team Culture:** Work alongside passionate professionals who are dedicated to agriculture and environmental stewardship.
- Excellent Work/Life Balance: Benefit from a predictable 35-hour workweek that respects your personal time.
- Enjoy a supportive and safety-conscious workplace culture

#### **Additional Information**

Position Type: Temporary (July 7, 2025 – February 12, 2027)

**Department:** Operations

Hours of Work: Monday to Friday, 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM (35 hours per week)

Starting Hourly Scale: \$35.22 - \$39.64

"The starting wage is determined based on the candidate's qualifications, including their education and experience, to ensure fair and competitive compensation for the position."

#### **Application Details**

If you're ready to be an advocate for agriculture and a trusted resource in the community, we'd love to hear from you! Apply today and become part of a team that values innovation, sustainability, and community impact.

Submit your cover letter and resume, quoting the position title, no later than midnight, Sunday, June 1st, 2025, to:

#### **HUMAN RESOURCES DEPT.**

hr@rdcounty.ca

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# Join us at Red Deer County and make a meaningful impact!

\*\* A full position description is available upon request. \*\*

Red Deer County is an equal-opportunity employer and welcomes applications from all qualified individuals, fostering a workplace that values diversity, equity, and inclusion.

We thank all applicants for their interest; however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

