



Position: Wildlife Care Assistants
Hours: Full-time (40 hrs/week), flexible schedule
Dates: April to August 2017 (12-14 weeks)
Pay: \$11 per hour
Closing: open until filled

Wildlife Rescue is seeking enthusiastic, hard-working applicants for the position of Wildlife Care Assistant, to perform essential daily animal care and maintenance duties in our Wildlife Hospital. We hope to appoint 9 people, to work alongside our staff and volunteers, and help to keep our Hospital in operation 7 days a week during our very busy baby bird season through spring and summer. These positions are made available through the federal Canada Summer Jobs program administered by Service Canada and are subject to confirmation of grant funding in April.

To be eligible to apply for these positions, applicants **must be students** who:

- are between 15 and 30 years of age at the start of employment;
- have been registered as full-time post-secondary students in the previous academic year and intend to return to a post-secondary education on a full-time basis in the next academic year;
- are Canadian citizens, permanent residents or persons to whom refugee protection has been conferred under the Immigration & Refugee Protection Act; and
- are legally entitled to work in Canada in accordance with relevant provincial legislation and regulations.

Responsibilities

- Overall care for nestling and fledgling songbirds from feeding and cleaning, to the daily health checks and reporting to staff
- Cleaning cages and aviaries of other wildlife patients
- Setting up habitats for both indoor and outdoor animals
- Provide training and guidance for volunteers and interns
- Cleaning and disinfecting equipment
- Facility clean-up
- Preparing diets and feedings
- Assisting senior staff with medical care of wildlife patients
- Meticulous recordkeeping of individual wildlife patients
- Communication with colleagues on progress, issues and supplies
- Time management during the day and preparing for the next day

Requirements

- Reliability
- Good physical stamina and health
- Patience and the ability to work alone or in a group

- Good communication skills
- Comfortable around small birds and mammals
- Proof of current tetanus vaccination, a clean criminal record check
- Ability to work in a fast-paced, dynamic environment
- Previous animal handling experience is considered an asset
- Able to work five 8-hour shifts a week, which may include evenings, weekends and statutory holidays

Training

- Basic Animal Care Training
- Specific training on Nestling and Fledgling care
- Continuous training provided by senior staff on shift as required

Benefits

- The opportunity to work as part of a team assisting local wildlife
- Increased knowledge of local species identification and ecology
- Chance to expand knowledge and skills in animal care and husbandry
- Familiarization with other wildlife-related groups in the area

To apply for a position, please send a cover letter and resume in one pdf file to:

Human Resources Director
Wildlife Rescue Association of BC
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Burnaby, BC V5B 3C1
Email: recruitment@wildliferescue.ca

Please be advised that **only short-listed candidates will be contacted** for interviews, but Wildlife Rescue would like to thank all applicants in advance for their interest.