Wildlife Care Technician

(2 positions)

Contract term: April 26 - October 1, 2021

Compensation: \$15/hour

Hourly commitment: 40 hours/week.

Location: Kawartha Wildlife Centre, 470 Robinson Road, Ennismore, Ontario, KOL 1TO



As a key member of the Wildlife Care Team, the successful applicant will assist with wildlife care, regular maintenance, and operations of the Kawartha Wildlife Centre. The Kawartha Wildlife Centre works to rehabilitate and release sick, orphaned and injured native wildlife, and to provide education on wildlife conservation, awareness, and co-existence. Located in Ennismore, Ontario, we serve the people and wildlife of Peterborough and the Kawartha region.

The successful applicant will demonstrate a commitment to conservation, professionalism, punctuality, self-motivation. They will have previous experience in animal care, and will have an ability to follow strict care directions.

Scheduling may vary as required for patient care. The successful candidate should be prepared to work on evenings and/or weekends as required.

KEY TASKS

- Provides direct care to sick, injured and orphaned native Ontario wildlife, under the direction and supervision of the Executive Director and the Wildlife Care Team.
- Maintains detailed records of wildlife care in accordance with the Wildlife Care policy and associated standard operating procedures.
- Interacts and communicates with members of the public in person, virtually through our wildlife inquiry portal, and by phone, while responding to inquiries and admission of patients.
- Assists with purchases and stocking of Kawartha Wildlife Centre merchandise in the KWC store
- Works with and assists volunteer members complete their assigned tasks as required.
- Helps to maintain cleanliness and sanitation of the Centre including: patient enclosures, floors, surfaces, and equipment as required to ensure the health and safety of patients, staff, and the public.
- May assist with Summer Camp, fundraising initiatives, and other Kawartha Wildlife Centre initiatives as required, at the discretion of the Executive Director and the Board.

REQUIRED SKILLS, AND EXPERIENCE

- Ability and willingness to complete tasks independently, maintain records, and to seek clarification when unclear.
- Ability to work well as a member of a team, communicating clearly and effectively and helping to maintain a positive workplace atmosphere.
- Ability to follow precise direction as required for health and safety and wildlife care.
- Experience and familiarity with native Ontario wildlife and a strong interest in conservation biology and/or veterinary medicine.
- Experience, ability and willingness to safely handle a variety of native Ontario wildlife species, including birds, mammals, reptiles and amphibians.
- Ability to work effectively in difficult or emotional situations, such as during instances of urgent wildlife care or patient loss.
- Strong oral and verbal communication skills.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

This position is dependent on confirmed funding availability. The Kawartha Wildlife Centre is an equal opportunity employer, and we encourage members of underrepresented groups to apply, including Indigenous youth, women, LGBTQ2 youth, and visible minorities. The successful applicant must meet the following requirements to be eligible for this position:

- be between 18* and 30 years at the start of employment
- be a Canadian citizen, permanent resident, or person with whom refugee protection has been conferred under the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act for the duration of the employment; and
- have a valid Social Insurance Number (SIN) at the start of employment and be legally entitled to work in Canada in accordance with relevant provincial or territorial legislation and regulations.

*The Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry requires that those working with wildlife be over the age of 18.

HOW TO APPLY

Interested applicants are asked to submit a cover letter, resume, and contact information for two references **by 5pm on Friday April 2, 2021**. Documents should be saved as a single PDF and emailed to info@kawarthawildlifecentre.ca, using the subject line 'Wildlife Care Technician 2021.'

We appreciate your time and interest and will be in touch with those selected for interviews.