

Wildlife Chef Team Volunteer

Do you love wildlife? Do you want to volunteer for a rehabilitation centre that helps thousands of wild animals a year? BC SPCA Wild ARC is currently seeking volunteers to assist with wildlife diet creation, kitchen organization, ingredient preparation, and dishes in order to support staff and volunteers.

Responsibilities (Listed in Order of Time Spent)

- Prepare food and ingredients for diets (bulk process, chop, mix, blend, thaw)
- Handle raw fish and meat products, nuts, greens, vegetables, fruits and grains
- Maintain inventory of base ingredients in dry storage, pantry, and grocery items (with staff assistance)
- Prepare species-specific diets for adult and juvenile wild patients
- Help keep kitchen area clean and organized (clean counters and touch points, tidy dry storage/pantry)
- Wash animal care dishes (may have feces or food debris on them)

Skills and Experience Required

- Good communication skills and ability to follow instructions
- Able to prioritize and work independently
- No food preparation experience is necessary, training in wildlife diet preparation is provided
- Basic knife skills for safe handling and use

Time commitment

- This role involves a regular weekly two hour shift (alternate between main kitchen and Raccoon kitchen)
- Volunteers must commit to a minimum of one shift a week for four months

What we hope you will gain from your volunteer experience

- Unique opportunity to work as a team helping wildlife return to health
- Build meaningful connections with other people who share the same passion for local wildlife welfare
- Gain experience preparing a diverse range of species-specific diets
- Increase your awareness of local wildlife species, natural history, and urban wildlife issues and welfare

Requirements for the position

- 19 years or older (Students aged 16-18 may volunteer via school work experience program)
- Willingness to be vaccinated for zoonotic diseases applicable to the worksite (Tetanus vaccine)
- Completion of online Volunteer Orientation, 1 online workshop, and 1 on-site training shift

Working Conditions**

- Work inside in kitchen possible slippery floor
- Be on feet for a two hour shift
- Bend and/or lean for dish washing and organizing
- Occasionally lift 20 pounds (food bags or bins)
- Use fine motor skills (dexterity) for knife handling and food preparation



**BC SPCA is an inclusive organization and will make reasonable accommodations to working conditions upon request. Please email us at info@wildarc.com if you have any concerns or questions.

Ready to join our team?

Fill out an online application at:

www.wildarc.com/volunteer

