



## **Seasonal Wildlife Rehabilitation Technician**

Think Wild is seeking a part time (up to 30 hours/week) seasonal (April - September) wildlife rehabilitation technician. This position reports to the Director of Wildlife Rehabilitation and must be available on weekdays and weekends. Compensation starts at \$13-\$15 per hour DOE.

Think Wild is a non-profit wildlife hospital and conservation center located in Bend, Oregon that accepts most native wildlife species including raptors, waterfowl, passerines, and mammals.

### Position Duties:

- Perform examinations and basic rehabilitation assessments on incoming patients. Administer medical treatments, maintain animal care records and date entry of these records.
- Lead and assist animal care volunteers in fulfilling daily care plans of wildlife patients including but not limited to nutritional, caging and medical needs
- Assist in maintaining complete and accurate patient records, and surgery, radiology, laboratory, necropsy and controlled substance logs
- Ensure cages and facilities are cleaned and maintained daily, feeding schedules are adhered to and other animal care needs are met
- Supervise, train and mentor animal care volunteers, and interns. Delegate and ensure satisfactory completion of tasks. Ensure that animals are being handled in a manner that maximizes human and animal safety. Ensure that protocols to minimize risk of contraction of zoonotic disease are being adhered to
- Admit animals from the public and provide assistance both in person and over the phone regarding animal rescues, transport, emergency care and human-wildlife conflicts
- Encourage donations during intakes, rescues and hotline calls
- Drive own vehicle, when necessary, to rescue and transport wildlife and rehabilitation supplies. Assist in the coordination and release of animals as needed
- Assist the DWR in revising species protocols and rehabilitation research as needed
- Work directly with the Wildlife Veterinarian to assure the safety and health of wildlife patients, assuring that all veterinary procedures are performed in a highly efficient and effective manner



- Perform daily activities that include patient rounds, emergency and critical care treatment, restraint and handling of animals, routine collection and analysis of laboratory diagnostic samples (in-house and outside labs), radiographic positioning and imaging, performing anesthetic procedures, surgical assisting, and monitoring the vital signs and condition of wildlife patients in the perioperative period
- Evaluate health and behavioral needs of patients and communicate needs to the Wildlife Veterinarian and DWR
- Humanely euthanize wildlife patients according to written policies and procedures
- Ensure compliance with established disease control, and health and safety rules
- Maintain a high level of cleanliness, sanitation, disinfection and quality control in the treatment, surgery, radiology and laboratory areas
- May be assigned other duties by the DWR

#### Requirements:

- 2+ years experience working or volunteering in a wildlife rehabilitation center or other wild animal care or veterinary setting required
- Must have a high school diploma or equivalent, and be able to read, write, and speak clearly in English so that written and verbal instructions can be followed
- B.A. or B.S. in wildlife science, biology, environmental science or similar field preferred
- Must be a self-starter, able to take initiative and work independently in an efficient and productive manner. Must have good time management. Must be organized and flexible, and be able to balance multiple projects. Must have basic computer skills.
- Must be able to work cooperatively with people, and to communicate clearly about Think Wild's mission. Must also be able to represent Think Wild in a professional manner, at all times
- Must be able to work maturely and respectfully with diverse groups of people, and maintain high-quality public relations. Must possess excellent interpersonal and organizational skills, and be able to assist in creating a positive work environment built on team concepts
- Must be able to respectfully work around wild animals so as to not cause unnecessary stress
- Valid driver's license
- Rabies vaccination preferred
- Must be able to stand for long periods, lift up to 40 lbs, work outdoors in various weather conditions and react quickly to potentially hazardous situations involving



wildlife. Willingness to follow all COVID-19 precautions, including mask wearing, hand washing, and supporting children in health and safety precautions.

Contact Pauline Baker at [pauline@thinkwildco.org](mailto:pauline@thinkwildco.org) with questions. Please no calls.

Applications must be submitted via email at [pauline@thinkwildco.org](mailto:pauline@thinkwildco.org). For full consideration, please submit a resume, cover letter, and three references by Feb 17, 2021 at 5pm. This position is open until filled.