

Conservation Program Assistant



The Government of Canada funded this job through the Canada Summer Jobs program. [Learn more about the program.](#)

To apply for this job, you must:

- Be aged between 15 and 30 years old on the start date of the job;
- Have a valid Social Insurance Number (SIN); and
- Be a Canadian citizen, a permanent resident of Canada, or a person who has been granted refugee status in Canada.

International students and other temporary residents of Canada are not eligible.

As an equal opportunity employer, we are committed to providing:

- Opportunities for youth that are underrepresented in the labour market
- Opportunities for youth in rural areas, remote communities, and official language minority communities

Employment Period: 8-week position must be completed between April 21, 2025 – August 30, 2025.

Hours per week: 34 hours

Remuneration: \$19.00/hr

Positions Available: 3

Position Requirements:

The Conservation Program Assistant (CPA) is responsible for assisting the Wildlife Biologist in the day-to-day husbandry of the conservation animal collection; maintaining the quality standards of accredited zoological practices. The CPA will assist the Wildlife Biologist in maintaining high standards of maintenance and care for the conservation collection of animals. Responsibilities include assisting with animal husbandry and welfare, exhibit maintenance, guest services, diet preparation, enrichment, record keeping and related duties as required. The CPA may be required to work with or within other departments. The CPA will adhere to all health and safety regulations, legislation and policies as reviewed during the orientation period and as directed by GVZoo staff.

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Key Responsibilities to assist with:

- Assisting animal keeper and wildlife biologist with the day-to-day husbandry, educational programming, field research and data collection pertaining to the in-situ conservation programs of local native, endangered wildlife.
- Maintain high standards of maintenance and care for the animal collection.
- Adhere to all health and safety regulations, legislation and policies.
- Observe condition of assigned area(s), animal enclosures, and equipment and report relevant information as appropriate.
- Clean animal enclosures, pools, and service areas as assigned.
- Communicate with and assist guests. Participate in public demonstrations. Take initiative to facilitate guests' appreciation of animals and enjoyment of their visit.
- Train and direct work of volunteers.
- Follow all GVZoo policy and procedures. Comply with all WCB safety regulations and work safe procedures. Maintain a safe work environment for both staff and general public.
- Project a professional image while representing the GVZoo.
- Perform other related duties and responsibilities as required.

