



Career Opportunity: Full-time Veterinary Assistant/ Veterinary Technician

Permanent – Breslau

Are you passionate about your work and looking for a way to apply your skills and talents in a meaningful way?

Do you have the leadership skills to jump into an organization in the midst of exciting and transformational change?

At Lions Foundation Canada Dog Guides (LFCDG) we help people with medical or physical disabilities lead independent lives by providing them with a dog guide at no cost to support them in their daily lives. The school is unique in offering 7 different programs serving between 150-200 new clients annually and supporting over 1100 active clients. The school operates out of our central location in Oakville, ON, and a breeding and training facility in Breslau, ON with plans to move to our new leading edge facility in early 2025.

The Opportunity:

Full-time Veterinary Assistant/Technician (Breslau):

The veterinary clinic at Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides needs a veterinary assistant or technician that can also assist with some administrative duties in the veterinary clinic in our Oakville facility. Previous experience working in a veterinary clinic is desired. Our patients are puppies to dogs in training that are working towards being assistance dogs. Patients will be located either in kennels during training or with foster families located throughout the GTA and Kitchener- Waterloo. Occasional travel to our Breslau facility will also be required.

Clinical Duties:

- Assist veterinary staff as needed
- Nurse and care for patients
- Collect blood and urine samples
- Surgery preparation, anesthesia, and monitoring
- Assist in performing radiographs (OFA, Penn Hip, routine)
- Interact with and educate foster families
- Maintain a clean and safe vet clinic/kennel environment
- Follow all health and safety guidelines

Administrative duties:

- Answer phone during business hours
- Answer veterinary clinic e-mails during business hours

- Assist with maintaining veterinary calendar and scheduling
- Maintain health and behavior records
- Communicate with other staff regarding health and care of patients
- Assist in maintaining inventory in clinic
- Correspondence between departments and foster families in a timely manner
- Facilitating requests from the veterinarian, technician, foster families, instructors, and supervisor

Job Requirements:

- Demonstrate safe dog handling skills
- Understand and demonstrate proper animal husbandry protocols
- Identify signs of canine ill health and treat as prescribed
- Show initiative and ability to prioritize tasks and complete within a limited time frame
- Demonstrate strong organizational skills and attention to detail
- Excellent communication skills – written and verbal
- Schedule: M – Thursday (8:00 AM – 6:00 PM)
- Ability to lift 50 lbs
- Minimum G2 driver's license
- Police background check for vulnerable sectors

Job Type: Full-Time, Permanent

Salary: \$37,967 annually

Benefits:

- Casual dress
- Dental care
- Disability insurance
- Extended health care
- Life insurance
- On-site parking
- Paid time off
- Vision care
- Uniforms provided

Schedule:

- 8 – 9 hour shift
- Day Shift

Experience:

- Previous experience in veterinary clinic: 1 year (required)
- post-secondary education (required)

- dog training: 1 year (preferred)

Please forward a cover letter and resume to careerslfc@dogguides.com

Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides is committed to employ people from diverse backgrounds and we actively demonstrate inclusiveness through fair, equitable and accessible hiring practices. We recognize the strength that comes from different experiences, backgrounds and perspectives and welcome candidates who identify as visible minorities, Indigenous people, persons with disabilities, and persons within the LGBTQ+ community. We feel it is important as an organization that all people have access and opportunity to be employed, to be valued and to be respected. Accommodations for job applicants with disabilities will be provided upon request during the recruitment, assessment, selection and placement process. Alternative format available on Request.