

Career Opportunity:

Part-time Dog Care and Welfare Attendant



Do you enjoy working with dogs and helping others? Do you have the leadership skills that could help a great organization become even better?

At Lions Foundation Canada Dog Guides (LFCDG) we help people with disabilities lead independent lives by providing them with a Dog Guide at no cost. The school is unique in offering 7 different types of Dog Guide programs. It operates out of two locations, one in Oakville, ON and the other in Breslau, ON.

The Opportunity:

Part-time Dog Care and Welfare Attendant:

The Dog Care & Welfare Attendant is responsible for maintaining the high standard of care to all dogs housed at the Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides (LFCDG) facility. This is an active working position, cleaning kennel runs and observing canine medical and behavioural changes to report to the necessary departments. This is a physically demanding role requiring the majority of time spent standing, lifting, and bending. Ability to work in all weather conditions. The Kennel Attendant will foster a positive and productive work environment, and supporting a team that can deliver on the assigned work and initiatives. As a member of the kennel team, the Dog Care & Welfare Attendant is responsible for working collaboratively with other team members and departments to ensure the wellbeing of the dogs is paramount.

In addition to the rewards of working with our dogs, there's room to grow and build a career in Canine Welfare, Puppy Nursery department or possibly even in training Dog Guides!

Key Responsibilities:

Dog Care and Welfare Attendant Duties:

- Work closely with the Dog Care and Welfare Team ensure high level care of dog's welfare is met
- Maintain a clean and safe kennel environment
- Ability to work in all weather conditions
- Handle all dogs in a humane and efficient manner, following LIMA principals, and understanding canine body language to ensure wellbeing of staff and dogs
- Provide medical care to dogs including medications (oral, topical) and assist providing veterinary support
- All responsibilities and duties assigned to Welfare Attendants

Communication and Interpersonal:

- To work independently without direct supervision
- Open and ongoing communication shift long with coworkers and other departments to ensure all tasks are being addressed
- Interact with all staff, volunteers, clients, and the public in a professional manner
- Identifies opportunities to increase the effectiveness, efficiency and quality of the Welfare Department and puts a focus on continuous improvement

Contribute to team Effectiveness:

- Works closely alongside the team, sharing and handling workload to ensure all welfare attending tasks are completed

- Fosters knowledge-sharing and communication across all departments and across the organization to ensure collaboration and informed work
- Works to build collaborative relationships with all LFCDG staff

You will bring to the opportunity:

- Minimum completed: High school or equivalent education
- Proven animal care in a professional environment, Fear Free Certification, Veterinary Technician training, or professional grooming an asset
- Demonstrated capacity to work in a busy and noisy work environment (up to 100 decibels)
*Hearing protection to reduce this is provided
- Positive attitude, and ability to work independently and as part of a team
- Ability to lift 50 lbs. of food products and dogs
- Efficient use of PCs; the Internet; MS Word, Excel, and Outlook. Ability to learn new software
- Very strong interpersonal and communication skills – both written and verbal
- Effective time management skills
- Excellent and demonstrated organization skills with the ability to effectively prioritize workloads, multi-task, respond adeptly to shifting priorities and act quickly to immediate needs
- Ability to work a flexible schedule as required
- Minimum valid G Drivers License with a clean driving abstract required
- Reliable transportation and comfort travelling in all weather conditions
- Vulnerable Sector Police Background Check required

Please forward a cover letter and resume to HR@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.