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Wildlife Rehabilitation Technician Position Description

The mission of the Hawai'i Wildlife Center (HWC), a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, is to protect, conserve, and aid in the recovery of Hawai'i's native wildlife through hands-on treatment, research, training, science, education, and cultural programs. The HWC will provide for the best achievable medical and husbandry care for sick, injured and orphaned indigenous and endemic wildlife, including those affected by natural and man-made disasters, returning those successfully treated back to the wild. Our wildlife service area extends more than 1,000 nautical miles, up to and including the Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument, which covers roughly 140,000 square miles of islets, reefs and waters—an area larger than all of America's National Parks combined.

This is an excellent opportunity to work in a brand-new, purpose-built facility and with an exciting one-of-a-kind wildlife conservation, response and rehabilitation organization in the Pacific islands region. The Wildlife Rehabilitation Technician will help play an important role in the preservation of Hawai'i's native wildlife, its natural richness and cultural heritage.

The Rehabilitation Technician reports directly to the Wildlife Rehabilitation Manager and to the Center Director. The Wildlife Rehabilitation Technician is responsible for and maintaining the highest possible quality of care of native wildlife at HWC. Candidates must represent HWC professionally at all times including; clearly communicating HWC's mission, the professional care and treatment of seabirds, shorebirds, waterbirds, birds of prey, forest birds, and the native bat, and the safety of the public and other employees.

QUALIFICATIONS:

College degree in a related field of Zoology/Biology and/or Wildlife Management, or relevant experience.
Candidates must be able to handle a diversity of avian and bat patients in a caring, safe and humane manner.
Candidates must work maturely and respectfully with diverse groups of people and maintain highly effective public relations.
Knowledgeable, or willing to learn, about native wildlife species of Hawai'i and their natural history.
Ability to work independently and also in a team capacity.
Able to handle multiple responsibilities and have strong organizational skills.

SPECIFIC DUTIES INCLUDE BUT NOT LIMITED TO:

- Assist in the maintenance and sanitation of the indoor and outdoor facilities and pool systems.
- Initial exams, triage and critical care.
- Assists staff with handling of animals and serving the public.
- Transport ailing or injured birds island wide as needed, using HWC vehicle or personal vehicle, if HWC vehicle is not available.
- Perform other duties as assigned to ensure a positive public image and to enhance the operation of the organization and improve the quality of life for animals.
- Assist Wildlife Rehabilitation Manager in training and overseeing volunteers and interns.



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REQUIREMENTS:

- Must have a good attitude and be able to handle stressful situations in a calm and professional manner.
- Must have a minimum of one years experience working in a wildlife rehabilitation center or equivalent animal care facility, preferably with avian species.
- Must be capable and knowledgeable of indoor and outdoor cage maintenance.
- Must be willing and able to work daily with (wild animals) and have a good understanding of natural history and (wild animal) behavior.
- Must be flexible and capable of working independently and as a team.
- Must have compassion and concern for both wildlife and people.
- Must have or be able to obtain a valid Hawaii drivers license with no record of major or repeated minor traffic offenses.
- Must be able to lift a minimum of 50 pounds.
- Must be able to handle physically rigorous work, including working long hours. Schedule will include working days, evenings, weekends and holidays.
- Must be legally entitled to work in the United States
- Must be able to take direction and carry out assignments in a timely manner.
- Candidates must be willing and able to travel throughout the island for bird transportation and supplies.

SALARY: Commensurate with experience.

Please email cover letter, resume, and three references to: judi@hawaiiwildlifecenter.org.