

# ANIMAL CARE ASSISTANT

(PART-TIME) (TIME-DURATION – 6 MONTH TERM)

COMPETITION #2024-39

October 16, 2024



The Fraser Valley Regional District is a local government that delivers over 100 services to residents living in our eight electoral areas and six member municipalities. We are the third most populous regional district in BC, stretching from Abbotsford to Boston Bar. The Fraser Valley offers a great place to work and live with a mix of rural and urban lifestyles along with an abundance of recreational and cultural opportunities.

People are at the center of everything we do, and we strive to put the needs of those we serve and the employees in the organization at the forefront of our day-to-day work. We are an organization that values teamwork and respect. We are committed to diversity, equity, inclusion, and being representative of the region we serve. We invite all qualified candidates to apply. We are dedicated to the ongoing process of building relationships and examining our work to ensure that the principles of inclusion, collaboration, and reconciliation are included. If you have a passion for public service and want to make a difference in the lives of those who live, work, and learn in the Fraser Valley, consider coming to work with us.

We are seeking an Animal Care Assistant to join our Animal Control Program located in Chilliwack. We are looking for highly motivated, independent and animal-savvy individuals. Under the direction of the Animal Welfare and Regulatory Supervisor, you will work as part of a team and be responsible for providing excellent and consistent full-scope animal care, which includes cleaning animal housing areas, preparing food, maintaining laundry and dishes, and ensuring a clean environment. You will assist in providing medications to animals and ensure reliable compliance with existing policies and procedures while maintaining accurate files and records. You will also be required to provide transportation of animals to veterinarian appointments, as required. This is a 6-month time-duration position. The hours of work are 4 hours per day scheduled between 7:00 am and 8:00 pm, 5 days per week, Tuesday through Saturday.

Required knowledge, skills and abilities:

- » Must have a minimum of Grade 12, preferably supplemented by courses in animal welfare and behaviour and experience working in a similar environment, or an acceptable combination of training and experience;
- » Knowledge of animal welfare and standard disease control practices and procedures;
- » Basic understanding of dogs;
- » Be physically fit and able to work outdoors in all types of weather and able to lift and carry heavy, bulky objects;
- » Good interpersonal skills, be able to establish and maintain effective working relationships;
- » Demonstrate maturity, sound judgement and the ability to handle confidential and sensitive matters with discretion and integrity;
- » Be punctual and reliable; and
- » Must possess a valid Driver's Licence.

The start rate for this part-time Union position is \$17.71 per hour (2024 rate) plus 16% in lieu of benefits. Upon successful completion of the required 960 hour probationary period, the rate will increase to \$20.84 per hour (2024 rate) plus 16% in lieu of benefits.

If you have a passion for public service and want to make a difference in the lives of Fraser Valley residents, we want to hear from you. Please submit your resume, along with a cover letter, indicating how you meet the qualifications. Visit [www.fvrd.ca/careers](http://www.fvrd.ca/careers) to apply for this competition by 4:30 p.m. on November 6, 2024.