RAPTOR CARE TECHNICIAN

Full-Time, 40 Hours/Week Supervised By: Clinic Coordinator and Roost Coordinator



SUMMARY DESCRIPTION

Teton Raptor Center (TRC) advances raptor conservation through education, research, and rehabilitation. To that end, the Raptor Care Team is dedicated to maintaining a healthy population of resident raptors and providing expert care to enable injured, ill, and orphaned raptors return to the wild. This is achieved through efforts to stay current with best practices in avian husbandry, rehabilitation, training, and enrichment; excellent communication and collaboration amongst the staff and volunteers; and dedication to maintaining a positive and healthy work environment for all.

The ideal candidate for the position of Raptor Care Technician will bring experience with the rehabilitation of injured and ill raptor patients and background working with and training a variety of raptor species (ambassadors) in an educational setting. The Raptor Care Technician will be expected to follow TRC's protocols, all state and federal wildlife regulations, and TRC permits under the direction of Clinic Coordinator and the Roost Coordinator. The Raptor Care Technician will support the delivery of TRC's education programs, program logistics, communications, and other projects. The season and program demand will play a role in the division of labor. Teton Raptor Center cares for birds 365 days a year. Staff are expected to share responsibilities working weekends, holidays, and evenings.

RESPONSIBILITIES

Care of Raptor Patients in the Clinic:

- Rescue, intake, and triage of new rehabilitation patients.
- Conduct laboratory testing and radiographic imaging.
- Coordinate transportation for incoming and outgoing patients.
- Physical conditioning, including kinesiotherapy, flight conditioning, and live prey testing.
- Coordination with veterinary hospitals for off-site treatments and surgeries.
- After-hours medication administration and patient triage, and hotline call response.
- Supervise and mentor volunteers and interns during daily patient care routine.

Care of Raptor Ambassadors in the Roost:

- Daily care/cleaning/handling of avian ambassadors and rehab patients.
- Food preparation and feeding.
- Provide training and enrichment for avian ambassadors.
- Medication administration.
- Ongoing health and well-being evaluation for avian ambassadors.
- Upkeep of avian care records and databases.
- Supervise and mentor volunteers and interns during daily avian care routine.

Education Programs:

- Support formal and informal education programs on and off-site with and without live birds.
- Prepare, set up, transfer, and clean up for daily programs.
- Contribute content to education programs.
- Create content for TRC's various digital platforms (FB, Insta, Youtube, etc.).
- Coordinate with education volunteers when applicable.

Special Projects:

- Complete special projects as assigned.
- General maintenance support of buildings and grounds on the historic property.

Professional Development & Continued Education:

- Actively seek out and regularly participate in professional development and continued education related to avian rehabilitation, husbandry, training, enrichment, and euthanasia.
- Participate in TRC's research projects when possible to deepen understanding.

QUALIFICATIONS & SKILLS

- Certified Veterinary Technician preferred (in state of Wyoming)
- Certified Wildlife Rehabilitator preferred
- B.S. in a science-related field or equivalent work experience;
- A valid driver's license;
- Excellent organizational skills and an attention to detail;
- Knowledge of science, natural history, and avian wildlife;
- A strong work ethic and ability to stay focused in a fast-paced environment;
- Writing/oratory skills and comfort with public speaking;
- Ability to work some weekends, evenings, and holidays on a rotating basis;
- Ability to perform physical tasks such as lifting up to 40 lbs. / on your feet for up to 8 hours;
- An ability to work well within a tight-knit team environment and independently;
- Spanish language proficiency (desired but not required);
- A love of nature, wildlife, education, and conservation.

Ideal Candidate

The ideal candidate will be a dedicated, enthusiastic, and resourceful professional who can contribute meaningfully to TRC's mission of raptor conservation.

Start Date

Position available immediately. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis until the position is filled.

Compensation & Benefits

- Annual salary range: \$45,000 \$48,000, commensurate with experience
- Benefits include medical, dental, and vision coverage

- Retirement plan with employer contribution
- Housing option may be available

EMPLOYMENT at TETON RAPTOR CENTER

Teton Raptor Center is an equal opportunity employer with a smoke-free and drug-free workplace. Successful applicants will be required to pass a background check, driving check, and drug screening.

To Apply

Please apply <u>here</u> to upload your resume, cover letter, and three professional references. Your resume and cover letter should be uploaded as a single PDF saved with your name, year and the position in the file title (e.g., "LastName_FirstName_2025_Raptor_Care_Tech").