



Wild Virginia Habitat Connectivity Program Director

Job Summary

Wild Virginia, a 501(c)(3) organization in Charlottesville, Virginia, is accepting applications for the position of a Habitat Connectivity Program Director (Program Director). The Program Director will be responsible for helping to better connect both terrestrial and aquatic habitat in Virginia. This person will support the goals of the Virginia Safe Wildlife Corridors Collaborative and Wild Virginia. The Program Director will report directly to the Executive Director of Wild Virginia.

Description of Duties

Support for the Virginia Safe Wildlife Corridors Collaborative

- Provide support to the Virginia Safe Wildlife Corridors Collaborative (VSWCC).
- Assist Collaborative members to plan meetings every three months.
- Maintain a list of active members and attendance.
- Ensure subcommittees are meeting and achieving the goals set out in the VSWCC strategic plan.
- Work to synchronize efforts, share lessons learned, and network with neighboring states and regional efforts.
- Assist the Collaborative in developing storytelling and outreach materials.
- Give talks and presentations about the work on the VSWCC in partnership with Collaborative members.
- Keep the VSWCC website updated and respond to inquiries from the site.
- Explore social media outreach opportunities for the Collaborative.
- Assist the VSWCC in identifying funding opportunities for its work.

Policy & Regulatory Efforts

- Work to create and advance a vision of a connected Virginia for both terrestrial and aquatic wildlife.
- Coordinate efforts to submit briefing book policy goals for habitat connectivity in the Virginia Conservation Network Briefing Book each year.

- Host policy calls and coordinate efforts to advance the above Briefing Book goals.
- Identify opportunities to advance the goals of the Connected Virginia Campaign through existing regulatory mechanisms.

Vision and Strategy

- Create strategic reports and manage the production of materials to support the Campaign.
- Develop storytelling and outreach materials for the Campaign (content for website, social media and online events.)
- Attend ongoing Wild Virginia hosted DEIJ trainings and work to operationalize these efforts in all of Wild Virginia's work.
- Perform other duties as assigned.

Desired Qualifications

The ideal candidate for this position possesses many of the following characteristics:

- Interest in conservation, environmental science, wildlife preservation, forest protection, and public lands.
- Experience with environmental advocacy work, conservation, and work in the nonprofit sector.
- Ability to envision a strong conservation future for Virginia, and an understanding of strategies, policy changes, and public support required to reach that vision.
- Mission-driven team player with a positive attitude, strong work ethic, and the willingness to pitch in and support colleagues.
- Progressive community engagement experience, including organizing, directing, and supervising volunteers in a collaborative work environment.
- Strong computer skills (including MS Office suite and Google Docs).
- Superior Excellent written and verbal communication skills.
- Ability to meet deadlines and manage multiple projects in a timely manner.
- Good analytical and problem-solving skills.
- Strong interpersonal skills.
- Bachelor's degree (B.A. or B.S.) is preferred, but not required with demonstrated experience.
- Valid Virginia driver's license or alternative travel accommodations and the ability to travel within Virginia.
- Acceptable background check.

Wild Virginia is committed to creating a diverse environment and is proud to be an equal opportunity employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, gender, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, national origin, genetics, disability, age, or veteran status. Applicants who meet 75% of the description above are encouraged to apply.

Location: Charlottesville, VA. Other locations in Virginia may be considered depending on ability to travel and reliable internet connectivity. Position is currently 100% remote due to Covid-19.

Desired start date: March 1, 2022 (Position open until filled.)

Starting salary: \$40,000 - \$45,000 year

Hours: 40/week with occasional weekend and evening work required with advance notice.

Benefits: Paid vacation, Simple IRA, health insurance, travel reimbursement, professional development opportunities, family leave, voting leave, volunteer leave, flex time and remote work.

Job type: Full-time, “exempt” position. Wild Virginia is an equal opportunity employer.

To apply: Please submit cover letter and resume on this [this Google form](#). You may contact info@wildvirginia.org or 434-971-1553 with specific questions about the position.