



TOWN OF WINDSOR

Animal Care Specialist (Part-Time)

The **Town of Windsor** announces a great opportunity for an Animal Care Specialist to work 19 hours per week at **Northwest Park**. This position is responsible for the care of the park's poultry and livestock, including daily feeding, watering, and maintenance of pasture and pens.

Northwest Park is a 473 acre municipal park within the Recreation and Leisure Services Division of the town of Windsor, Connecticut. The park features a nature center, hiking trails, natural habitats, and a barn with a variety of heritage breed farm animals on display. The Animal Care Specialist will report to the Environmental Education Coordinator. Responsibilities include:

- Maintain Northwest Park's Heritage Breed Program by procuring and displaying a variety of animals for public enjoyment and education.
- Ensure compliance with all USDA, APHIS, and State of Connecticut Department of Agriculture regulations and requirements. Keep all licensing and inspection programs up to date.
- Develop and maintain nutritional programs for all species of poultry and livestock; oversee the setup and cleanliness of all animal living environments in conformance with current agricultural practices.
- Maintain regular health care in conjunction with a qualified veterinarian; apply or dispense all medications as prescribed; coordinate contractual services such as a farrier, shearer, and dentist.
- Acquire all feed, bedding, hay, and supplies; maintain accurate records of all animal care supply expenses as well as for all professional animal care services.
- Train, manage, and provide continuing education for volunteer animal feeders regarding animal care.
- Assist the Park Manager and Educators in developing communication about the heritage breed animals to benefit public enjoyment and education.

Individuals must be able to develop positive rapport with volunteers and work in a team environment. High School Diploma plus 2 years of experience working with domestic livestock and poultry preferred.

The work schedule is flexible, M-F, during morning hours. The hourly rate of pay is \$14.00-\$16.00 per hour, depending on experience. Limited leave benefits, no health benefits provided.

To apply, visit townofwindsorct.com/humanresources/. The position will remain open until filled; we will review applications as they are submitted. The Town of Windsor is an Equal Opportunity Employer and values diversity at all levels of the workforce. **EOE/AA**