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Summer Coordinator 2020 (Full Time, Student)

Prairie Wind & Silver Sage – Friends of Grasslands Inc. (PWSS) in Val Marie, Saskatchewan requires one full time Summer Coordinator for the period May 4 – August 31, 2020. The position pays \$13.00/hour. **Application deadline is March 20, 2020.**

PWSS is a recognized ecomuseum, art gallery, gift shop and espresso bar located in a remote, small rural village. Val Marie is the Gateway to **Grasslands National Park**, an international destination, and candidates should be prepared to interact with visitors from around the world.

Position responsibilities will include:

- enhancing visitor experience by providing a welcoming atmosphere;
- providing services in the gift shop/espresso bar;
- facilitating ecomuseum and gallery exhibition enjoyment;
- answering questions and providing referrals as necessary;
- documenting and cataloguing artifacts in accordance with Museums Association of Saskatchewan standards.

Candidates should have interest and/or experience in these areas, and have a willingness to learn. Excellent communications skills and the ability to work independently are required. Weekend work is required. Work hours are daytime, however, occasional evening work may be requested for special events. The successful candidate must obtain a Saskatchewan Food Safe Certificate at the employer's expense, if they do not already have a current equivalent Food Safe Certificate.

Note that PWSS's Heritage Building has stairs and no elevator, and staff are required to retrieve items from the basement. In addition, building logistics require mobility in a small space. Housing is not included with the position but PWSS will assist in finding accommodation for the successful candidate.

Prairie Wind & Silver Sage is an independent non-profit organization with charitable status. It is not an agency of Parks Canada and is not operationally dependent on Parks Canada or any other office of government.

To Apply:

Submit an application with cover letter and resume by email before March 20, 2020 to prairiewind.silversage@gmail.com. Applications may be considered as they are received so candidates are encouraged to apply early.

This position is made possible by **Young Canada Works** grant funding. To be considered, a candidate must be:

- A full-time student (as defined by your educational institution) in the semester preceding the job and intending to return to full-time studies in the semester following the job;
- A Canadian citizen or permanent resident or with refugee status in Canada;
- Legally entitled to work in Canada;
- Between 16 and 30 years of age;
- Willing to commit to the full duration of the job.

To ensure eligibility, confirm requirements on the [YCW website](#). Candidates selected for interview will be asked to provide documentation of eligibility. Non-Canadian students holding temporary work visas or awaiting permanent status are not eligible. Non-students are not eligible.

About Val Marie and Area

Val Marie is a small ranching community (village pop. approx 125, area pop. approx 420) located 120 km south of Swift Current, SK. It is the Gateway to Grasslands National Park, the first national park of Canada to preserve a portion of the mixed prairie grasslands. The Val Marie region is a land of rolling hills, rugged coulees, and steep ravines centred on the

Frenchman River Valley, where sky meets prairie at the northern extension of the Great Plains. The summer climate is hot and the lifestyle ranching-based. Living expenses are low, and amenities include a grocery store, restaurant, bar, cardlock gas station, post office, library, movies on weekends, occasional concerts, and programs offered by volunteer agencies and the Park. The landscape of mixed grass prairie draws about 18,000 engaged and enthusiastic visitors each year to the area, most of them during the summer.

For more info about:

- **Prairie Wind & Silver Sage**, see pwss.org
- **Val Marie community**, see valmarie.ca
- **Grasslands National Park**, see parksCanada.ca/grasslands