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Becoming a Volunteer at the White Wolf Sanctuary

Our volunteers give generously of their time, support and knowledge at WWS. Our volunteers are committed to the wolves and have an appreciation for nature and conservation efforts. We simply could not succeed without them. Our Wolves serve as ambassadors and help educate the public of their plight. The Sanctuary has very large, natural habitats that the Wolves live in and it is important that the habitats are kept clear of debris, dead foliage trees, etc. the wellbeing of the wolves is our number one priority.

While working around the wolves as an approved volunteer, understanding the behavior that consists of affection, submission, avoidance, and bonding is imperative. The volunteers who work directly with the wolves are not actually a part of their social hierarchy, but are part of a special relationship best characterized as an interactive caretaker.

Some things to avoid when interacting are: Sudden movements, raising your voice, Running, and Wearing loose or improper clothing such as large hats, open toed shoes, pony tails etc. and coercing them against their will. Aversive conditioning and encouraging aggressive behavior is not allowed.

To volunteer for WWS you must be 18 years of age or older. All volunteers who work directly with the wolves are screened before being introduced to the animals. A volunteer may not work with the wolves until our director and or its managers have had time to mentor the volunteer, to insure the person is confident and capable to work with the animals on site. The volunteer will first work with their supervisor to make sure they are qualified to be on their own, which may take several weeks of training. People who are relaxed, self-confident, and willing to learn are more successful in becoming part of our pack. People who are fearful or uneasy will not be allowed to work directly with the wolves.

Our goal is to allow our wolves to enjoy the remainder of their lives here at the sanctuary and not be exposed to stress. We greatly appreciate your interest, welcome you as a volunteer, and hope you will come and share this amazing experience.