

Apply today for this unique six-month \*volunteer\* opportunity with Canada's only national collaborative news program produced by and for community radio stations



**DEADLINE** – Open.

GroundWire News is a collaborative community radio news program on-air since 2008. This award-winning 29-minute radio show carries headlines, reports, features and short documentaries from independent and community radio journalists. Produced biweekly by and for community radio stations collaborating with a team of coordinators, GroundWire is a reliable, high-quality newscast, dedicated to grassroots coverage offering progressive perspectives on issues that engage local and national audiences. GroundWire's priority is to connect diverse communities from coast-to-coast-to-coast and encourage self-representation.

More info: <http://www.groundwirenews.ca/about/>

With this volunteer position, GroundWire offers an excellent opportunity to network at a national level with community media journalists and community radio stations across Canada. Community radio journalists have gone on to work in not-for-profit management, public policy, public relations and GroundWire alumni have been syndicated in Canadian forums such as *The Dominion Paper*, *Broken Pencil*, *Our Times*, *Briarpatch*, as well as *Free Speech Radio News* and *Democracy Now*.

### **Qualifications**

- Background in community organizing and/or community media
- Audio editing skills an asset
- Excellent time management skills
- Experience working with volunteers
- Experience in online content management and social media
- Strong proofreading
- Proven news judgment
- Familiarity with collaborative & anti-oppression work

### **Duties**

#### **Distribution**

- Check audio quality and final mix from producer
- Post to Community Radio Exchange, GW Blog, and Media Coop
- Send release announcement to listservs
- Update facebook and twitter accounts

#### **Meetings and Minutes**

- Participate in GW production meetings

#### **Pitch Sorting Pile**

- Put out calls for story pitches
- Check groundwireprod@gmail.com email for pitches
- Choose accepted pitches in consult with the editorial policy and producing station
- Support with editing, script feedback, or other production needs

#### **Production Calendar**

- Solicit new producers for the coming months
- Update production calendar

**Hours** – Flexible: approx. 5 hours a week (some weekend and evening shifts)

**Where** – Combination of at home and at a local station.

**Supervision** – You will interact with the GroundWire's Steering Committee, through regular reports and meetings. Depending on your location, a steering member may be available for in-person mentoring.

**How to Apply** – Send CV and cover letter to [groundwireprod@gmail.com](mailto:groundwireprod@gmail.com) with GW NATIONAL COORDINATOR in the subject line. Deadline for applications is open. *This is a volunteer, unpaid position.*