**Masters Student Research Opportunity – starting January 2019**

The BC Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals and the UBC Animal Welfare Program are hoping to collaborate on a new project on humane wildlife control. Specifically, the work involves testing a humane solution to pigeon control at Skytrain stations, using a newly approved contraceptive.

We are hoping to recruit a Masters student to conduct a population study with the product starting in January 2019. Candidates should have an undergraduate background in applied biology, animal behaviour, animal reproduction, zoology or conservation. High academic standing, exceptional aptitude for research, excellent communication and writing skills, proven ability to work independently, and regular availability to travel in the Lower Mainland to field sites, are required. Experience with birds is beneficial.

Dr. Sara Dubois, BC SPCA Chief Scientific Officer and Adjunct Professor will serve on the committee alongside UBC Animal Welfare Program professors. Participation in Animal Welfare Program lab meetings, coursework, and LFS faculty events is key to student success!

If you are interested in this graduate research project, please email sara.dubois@ubc.ca with an expression of interest and CV, plus an unofficial copy of undergraduate transcripts. Deadline Oct 15th, 2018.