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Volunteer Position: Beat Editor

rabble.ca is one of the success stories of Canadian independent journalism, publishing news and columns by some of the best writers of the left, and providing exposure to new writers. You can read, hear and watch them in our original news, opinion, blogs, book, podcast and video sections and on our moderated discussion board, babble!

Since its inception in 2001, rabble's readership has grown by leaps and bounds while maintaining a loyal core readership: we now get up to 450,000 unique visitors monthly, and we are growing. *rabble.ca* is an incorporated not-for-profit organization.

rabble.ca is currently seeking volunteer Beat Editors to assist with developing rabble's coverage in regions across the country, and helping to build contacts and networks among progressive activists, writers, and independent media networks. We are looking for editors for the following regions: **Prairie Beat, Northern Beat, Quebec Beat, and Atlantic Beat.**

Beat Editors are highly connected individuals with a passion for activism, social change and media. Beat Editors are the eyes and ears of *rabble.ca* in their region. The Beat Editor works with rabble's editor to identify stories and writers in their regions, communicate updates about progressive political action, and identify regionally relevant content that is suitable for reprinting at *rabble.ca*.

The Beat Editor participates in rabble story and editorial meetings, and reports directly to rabble.ca's Editor-in-Chief, who may contact them looking for local writers on particular stories, check in about regional story ideas, or request information about progressive political actions in their region.

Responsibilities:

- Proposing original contributions and reprints to rabble's editor for publication
- Proposing local writers for regional stories and providing contact information where required
- Promptly responding to email sent to @rabble email address
- Participating in rabble fundraising and events as appropriate

Time commitment: 1-3 hours per week

Location: Canada (virtual office)

Applications are due by email to volunteers@rabble.ca by August 31, 2014.

Please specify in your cover letter which beat you are most interested in overseeing, and why.

As rabble operates in a virtual office environment, editors may be located anywhere in the country and will work from home.

Candidates for the positions described below should have the following qualifications:

- Familiarity with *rabble.ca*;
- High level of responsibility, ability to meet deadlines and to work independently and with accuracy and attention to detail;
- Awareness of current affairs and of social justice movements;
- Experience in working in a virtual environment preferable.

This is a volunteer position.