

Primary Function: Under the direct supervision of the PAC Supervisor, cares for the animals in care and maintains the Pet Adoption Center facility.

Essential Duties & Responsibilities:

- Provides food and water for domestic, wild and exotic animals at the Pet Adoption Centers.
- Cleans and disinfects cages, dog runs, floors, bowls, litter pans and other facility supplies in accordance with our policies.
- Assist the public with processing animal adoptions and adoption information inquiries.
- Answer telephones and effectively respond to phone and in-person inquiries pertaining to animal adoptions, days and hours of operation and other general agency information.
- Observes animals for signs of illness or injury and reports concerns in accordance with our policies.
- Interacts, exercises, socializes, and provides daily enrichment to the animals in our care.
- Assist with grooming tasks such as bathing, brushing and nail trimming.
- May assist in euthanasia of animals.
- Other duties as assigned.

Job Related & Essential Qualifications:

- Experience in animal care or related field preferred.
- Knowledge of animal husbandry practices and basic veterinary terminology
- Experience with proper cleaning and sanitary methods in a sheltering environment.
- Must be able to safely handle and restrain animals of different sizes and temperaments.
- Ability to work well and communicate effectively with the public, fellow employees and volunteers.
- Ability to work efficiently under pressure and ability to prioritize tasks in a fast-paced environment.

Knowledge of:

- Various breeds of dogs, cats and other domestic animals.
- Various kinds of animal behavior.
- Basic domestic animal care and safe, humane animal handling.

Physical demands:

- Requires the ability to stand, walk, run, sit and kneel, crouch or crawl and climb different levels of height.
- Perform work, which involves frequent lifting, carrying and/or pushing of 25 lb., and occasionally lift, push and/or move up to 75 lb. or more. The employee will also be required to lift and carry equipment and disabled animals, at times for long distances.
- While performing this job the employee is regularly required to use hands & fingers; handle or feel objects, tools or controls; reach with hands and arms; and talk and listen.
- Work with and restrain animals of all sizes. Handle livestock and pet animals caught in disaster situations such as fires, floods, and earthquakes.

Working Conditions:

- Dealing with possible unruly, vicious and dangerous animals and impounding the same safely and humanely
- Dealing with possible hostile or overly emotional public
- Ability to handle heavy and fast-paced workload, strenuous physical activity.
- Possible exposure to parasites and infectious diseases
- Must be willing to work irregular hours, shifts, weekends, holidays and standby.
- Exposure to all types of weather conditions
- The noise level in performing this job varies depending on the task being performed.

Salary Range: \$18.75/hour This is a full-time non-exempt position with benefits.

Employment Location: spcaLA
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