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www.SacPetSearch.com

VOLUNTEER INFORMATION SHEET

Volunteering at an animal shelter provides numerous and varied ways to work directly with animals or to provide assistance towards their welfare. As with any kind of work or job, training is essential in order to know the rules, learn the skills, and be productive. Training is as important for a volunteer as it is for those who are paid to do this work.

We want volunteers to feel skilled, helpful, and productive in their volunteer jobs at our shelter. In addition, since volunteers will come in contact with various animals, unpredictable situations, potentially hazardous encounters, and wonderfully exhilarating experiences, then it is important for volunteers to have adequate training to prepare them for as many situations as possible.

New volunteers will spend about 8-10 hours in general shelter training, and will be trained for the particular volunteer job they have chosen. Teens between 13-17 are welcome to volunteer with their parent or guardian. *Please see the separate flyer on Teen Programs located online or at the shelter.

Here are some examples of volunteer jobs you may choose:



DOG VOLUNTEER (Canine Capers)¹

If you're really "into" dogs, join our Canine Capers group! You exercise, groom, and help get those furry friends adopted. If you are 18 or older, you can be trained to do adoption counseling, helping animals find the best homes!



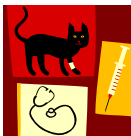
CAT VOLUNTEER (Feline Follies)

If your preference runs more towards the "purr and cuddle" style of cats and kittens, sign up as a cat volunteer. You'll exercise, brush and groom, and help them find new homes. Again, if you are 18 or older, you can be trained to do adoption counseling with new owners, helping to find great cat-people matches.



RABBIT VOLUNTEER

If your preference are those cute, loveable bunnies and other pocket pets, sign up as a rabbit volunteer. You'll be helping to socialize, feed and clean cages.



COMMUNITY SPAY NEUTER PROGRAM

Want to work from home or help with our low income spay and neuter clinics? Pick up messages from our "hotline" and schedule animals for surgery! Help us at our dog spay neuter monthly clinics or bi-monthly cat clinics!



OFFSITE VOLUNTEER

We have many "special" offsite events that occur on an irregular basis. This might be just the avenue if you can't get into the shelter every week and have only 4-6 hours a month to spend.



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FOSTER CARE PROVIDER

Care for baby animals not quite ready for adoption.
Help animals recover from surgery by providing love and attention at your home.
Provide basic care for sick animals until they recover.

It isn't necessary to take regular shelter training to participate in this program. You will be specifically trained for this program.



SHELTER GREETER

If you have a "gift for gab", then you can be a "Greeter" who helps people through the kennels, gives information, and provides all sorts of assistance.



OFFICE ASSISTANT

Want to help out but don't want to be so close to the animals? If you're handy in the office with filing, typing, data entry, and so forth, then try this one!

WHERE DO YOU START? IT'S EASY!

- Fill out the application form (online or at the shelter) and turn it into the shelter. You may also mail your application to:

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- Call (916/808-8166) to let our volunteer coordinator know that you'll be at the next orientation.
- Come to the orientation and decide if this is the right volunteer opportunity for you. ***Orientations are held on the second Wednesday of each month from 6:00-7:30 pm at the Shelter.***
- Finally...If this is it for YOU, then we'll schedule you for your training.



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