



## **JOB SUMMARY Animal Care Technician**

**Reports to: Animal Care & Enrichment Supervisor (primary), Shelter & Medical Director (secondary)**

### **Overview:**

Under direction of the Animal Care & Enrichment Supervisor, the Animal Care Technician (ACT) provides daily care and well-being to the animals at Lost Our Home Pet Rescue, ensuring the environment is clean and welcoming for the animals.

Animal Care Technicians are responsible for the feeding, cleaning, and basic care of shelter dogs and cats. This is a hands-on animal care position and requires early mornings and/or evening.

This position requires attention to detail, excellent time management skills, the ability to problem solve, the ability to work independently, and requires excellent communication skills with other members of the staff, volunteers, and the general public.

### **Job Responsibilities Include:**

- Following all written shelter procedures and protocols.
- Clean and disinfect kennels, suites, cages, equipment, runs and other areas of the facility.
- Check and maintain supply levels; make simple observations regarding sickness and/or injury.
- Ability to handle all cats and dogs regardless of their breed, temperament, or behavior.
- Report any signs of illness, disease, injury or unusual activity to supervisor/manager.
- Provides food, water and proper care for all shelter animals by adhering to schedules and protocols within departmental policy.
- Monitors all animals, including those that may be isolated or quarantined, for signs of illness or unusual behavior; makes notations and reports problems regarding health and behavior of animals to the appropriate supervisor or medical staff member.
- Shall perform other duties as assigned.
- Perform daily animal enrichment activities.

### **Job Requirements:**

- Must have experience either working/volunteering for a rescue or caring for dogs and cats in a professional environment (boarding, vet office, rescue, groomer, etc.).
- Ability to handle all cats and dogs regardless of their breed, temperament, or behavior.
- Must BE RELIABLE!!! Approximately 100 animals will be depending on you!
- Ability to juggle multiple tasks at the same time.



- Strong team player.

#### **Physical Effort:**

- Often requires lifting and carrying materials weighing up to 50 lbs.
- Handle dogs weighing up to 150 lbs.
- Walking and/or standing for long periods.
- Frequently work in a bent position.
- May be required to use strength or agility in capturing and restraining stronger, more active animals.
- Must not have any allergies to dogs or cats.

#### **Working Conditions:**

- Work is normally performed inside; some outside work is required.
- Exposure to unpleasant odors and noises.
- Exposure to bites, scratches and animal wastes.
- Possible exposure to contagious diseases.

Job Types: Full-time, Part-time. **WEEKENDS REQUIRED.**