

Job Title	<i>Animal Care Attendant</i>
Reports To	<i>Animal Care Manager</i>
Starting Salary	<i>Full-time position, \$15/Hour</i>

Job Purpose

The purpose of our Animal Care Attendant is to provide exceptional care to the animals in the care of the Humane Society For Hamilton County. Animal Care Attendants are responsible for sanitizing all areas that an animal may frequent, handle all animals humanely, provide daily enrichment, identifying medical and/or behavior concerns, and introducing animals to one-another. Animal Care Attendants engage with the public daily by facilitating meet and greet showings with potential adopters, assisting the public with lost and found animals, and participate in off-site adoption events.

Duties & Responsibilities

Animal Care Attendants are responsible for daily shelter activities including, but not limited to:

- Must be comfortable working with domestic animals of varying sizes and temperaments in an animal shelter environment.
- Educate and counsel prospective adopters on characteristics of the animals in our care in order to make suggestions for the best possible match.
- Facilitate the adoption process by reviewing applications and making recommendations.
- Treat all animals humanely and in accordance with HSHC standards of compassionate care.
- Ability to identify emergency situations and advise management when necessary.
- Restrain animals in a fear-free and low-stress manner; administer medications and vaccinations to dogs and cats as needed.
- Assist in canine SAFER temperament testing and evaluation.
- Facilitate canine playgroups as enrichment, supervise shelter animal meet and greets, and introduce owned animals to shelter animals prior to placement into a permanent adoptive home.
- Communicate with all HSHC departments regularly and attend morning staff meetings to assure we are providing a high quality of care for our animals.
- Strategically place animals throughout the building to help ensure that they are exposed and visible to the public.
- Provide food and water to all shelter animals, which may include special prescription dietary needs.
- Clean and maintain all areas of the animal shelter; exercise best-practices in disease control.
- Cleans and disinfects animal cages, visiting rooms, and turf yards daily using power-hoses and chemical disinfectant. Exercises prudent care when using company-issued equipment.
- Provides friendly and professional interactions with customers and animals while doing showings for potential adoptions.

Qualifications, Applicants must:

- Embrace our No-Kill, 'Whatever it Takes' Philosophy.
- Be a self-starter with the initiative and ability to work with minimal supervision.
- Ability to work with animals of unknown dispositions that may exhibit various medical or behavioral concerns.
- Have excellent oral and written communication skills.
- Be able to work independently, as well as in a team environment
- Be flexible to work mornings, evenings, weekends, and Holidays as assigned. Ability to work varying shifts as assigned.
- Ability to multitask in a fast-paced work environment where you are surrounded by the distractions of animal sounds, smells and their respective allergens.
- Be able to lift a minimum of 50lbs, walk, run, and kneel without health risk.