

Chico Animal Shelter Volunteer Role Description

Position Title		Dog Care				
Direct Supervisor		Kennel Supervisor				
Organization Mission						
<p>Courteously and compassionately promote the health, safety and welfare of citizens and animals in our community by honoring the human-animal bond, treating each person and animal as an individual, and providing humane care and positive outcomes for unowned/unclaimed animals.</p>						
Activities and Goals						
<p>Assist shelter staff in the care and maintenance of dogs housed at the shelter.</p>						
Duties and Responsibilities						
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thoroughly clean dog kennels in the shelter (9:30 AM – Noon) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ This may involve scrubbing kennels, replacing bedding, replacing and filling water buckets, or thoroughly cleaning kennels between dogs • Maintain dog kennels throughout the day (Noon – 6:00 PM) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ This may involve scooping poop and spot cleaning as needed and topping off water • Restock kennels with towels, poop bags and other supplies 						
Minimum Time Requirements						
<p>3 hours per week (9:30 AM – 6:00PM).</p>						
Location/Work Environment			Eligible for work at home			
<p>Dog kennels at animal shelter. May be subject to loud noises (barking dogs), pet hair and dander, feces and urine, cleaning agents, and strong odors. Exposure to dogs, who can be unpredictable.</p>						
Interaction With Animals		None	x	Minimal	Some	Extensive
Interaction the Public	x	None		Minimal	Some	Extensive
Experience Needed	x	Entry Level	x	Prior Experience and/or Training Needed		
Skills/Qualities Required						
<p>Attention to detail. Ability to take direction and learn shelter policies and procedures. Ability to bend, squat, lift and scrub. Some comfort working around dogs and willingness to learn about dog behavior and diseases.</p>						
Orientation and Training						
<p>Training will include learning how to clean dog kennels using safe handling methods and how to prevent cross contamination to prevent the spread of diseases, as well as dog behavior.</p>						
Other						
<p>Volunteer is required to wear closed-toed shoes and long pants. Tee-shirts, no tank tops.</p>						