



Available Position

Euthanasia Technician

The Animal Foundation is a private, non-profit, multi-service agency dedicated to making a difference in the lives of animals in the Las Vegas Valley. To promote the humane treatment of animals, The Animal Foundation operates the Valley's largest open-admission shelter (Lied Animal Shelter), lost and found services, adoption and foster home services, rabies observation, an affordable vaccination clinic, community education, and humane and sensitive euthanasia and a low-cost spay and neuter clinic. The Animal Foundation is seeking a euthanasia technician to become a member of our placement program. This is to fill a vacant position that will add professionalism and depth to our existing staff and work closely with our doctors, veterinary technicians and veterinary assistants.

The euthanasia technician reports to the euthanasia manager in our placement program, and is classified as a full time hourly position.

Ideal Candidate:

The ideal candidate will be a highly organized self-starter with the ability to multitask, work comfortably in a fast paced environment, exceptional communication skills and a deep desire to function as a part of a team that has the opportunity to have a significant impact on the Las Vegas community.

The ideal candidate shows significant attention to detail, displays uncompromising maturity and possesses a basic knowledge of shelter medicine concepts.

In addition to high moral character, the ideal candidate will maintain high situational awareness in a stressful environment and regularly contribute to the modification of standards and protocols to provide the utmost respect to animals being handled.

Minimum Qualifications:

Minimum High School Diploma or G.E.D. Experience, education, or training in the animal care industry preferred.

Must be a Nevada Licensed Veterinary Technician or Veterinary Technician In Training or hold a certification as a Veterinary Assistant or successfully complete employer-funded training and testing after being hired, to become certified to perform euthanasia.

Failure to become certified within a reasonable time could result in termination of employment.

Have the ability to ensure the practice of animal health/welfare according to policies and procedures of The Animal Foundation. Ability to deal tactfully and effectively with staff, volunteers, and the general public. Have the ability to communicate the English language effectively in oral and written form. Basic knowledge of animal breeds and characteristics. Basic knowledge of animal health, nutrition, and humane care. Must have basic computer skills. Must be proficient in mathematics in order to calculate doses of injections.

The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

The employee is required to frequently stand, walk, reach with hands and arms, climb or balance, stoop, kneel, crouch or crawl. The employee is occasionally required to sit. The employee must regularly move up to 10 pounds, frequently move up to 25 pounds, and occasionally move up to 75 pounds.

Compensation and Benefits:

\$11.00 - \$16.48/hr, depending on experience/qualifications. Starting pay is typically at the bottom of the range. The Foundation currently contributes to health insurance, vision, dental and life insurance and offers coverage for spouse and children at the employee's expense.

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