

Madison County Animal Services

Job Description

Job Title: Animal Shelter Worker 1

Department: Animal Services

Reports To: Director of Animal Services

Summary: An animal shelter worker is responsible for maintaining a clean, safe, and pleasant environment for both the animals and the members of the community. They perform the duties necessary to maintain a well operating animal shelter, in order to help alleviate the problem of homeless animals in Madison County.

Where to Apply:

The position is open until filled. Submit a North Carolina State Application (PD 107) with a cover letter to Madison County Human Resources. To obtain an application, visit <http://www.madisoncountync.org/employment.html>. Applications will be accepted at the Madison County Human Resources Office, 107 Elizabeth Ln., Marshall or mailed to: Madison County Human Resources, PO Box 579, Marshall, NC 28753.

Madison County Government is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Qualifications: To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each duty satisfactorily. The requirements listed below are representative of the knowledge, skill, and/or ability required. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions of the job. A high school diploma is preferred. Applicant should possess a strong knowledge of computers, telephone skills, accurate, legible, and descriptive message taking. Applicant must enjoy all species of animals since handling the animals is a part of the daily performance. The employee must be able to work the required hours designated to fulfill all job duties, including weekends and holidays. Ability to write and complete forms, perform computer based intakes and adoptions, as well as effectively present information to the public, management, and co-workers required. Experience in the animal welfare field preferred but not required. Ability to work independently, in a fast paced environment, within time constraints is a must.

Physical Demands: In order to successfully perform this job an applicant must be able to sit, stand, bend, squat, and/or crouch for long periods of time. Must be able to run and walk in order to exercise the animals and capture the occasional escape artist. Applicant must be able to lift a minimum of 50 pounds on a daily basis and is regularly required to lift, feel, touch, talk, and hear. While performing the duties of this job, the employee is frequently exposed to toxic,

irritating, or caustic chemicals, animal waste, and outside weather conditions. The noise level of the work environment is usually moderate to high.

Duties and Responsibilities include but not limited to: Cleaning, disinfecting, laundry, dishes, socialization of animals, maintain frequently changing knowledge of the animals in the shelter, answer phones, take accurate messages, intake surrendered animals, prepare animals for adoption, assist the public with surrenders and adoptions, monitor animals for signs of illness, administer medication as need, and complete paperwork in a timely manner. Most paperwork is computer based and strong computer literacy is preferred. Humane euthanasia is a part of the environment in the shelter; applicant is required to understand the need and may be requested to assist.

Education: High School Diploma preferred.

Requirements: Applicant must be willing to submit and pass a pre-employment drug/alcohol test, as well as a criminal background check. Must possess a valid North Carolina Driver's License.

Work Hours: Tuesday – Friday 8am-4pm and Saturdays 8am-2pm. Some flexibility required. Starting salary for this position is \$10.24 per hour at 38 hours per week. This position does come with a benefits package including paid health insurance; dental, eye, and other supplemental insurance is available, paid sick time, paid vacation time, and paid holidays.