



VOLUNTEER POSITION DESCRIPTION BEHAVIOR

TITLE:

Dog Observation Socialization Volunteer BH-DOSV

MAJOR OBJECTIVE:

To provide dogs that are temporarily housed in observation and isolation units with exercise and appropriate elimination opportunities by walking them outside of the kennel or providing in-kennel socialization. Volunteers in this program will be held to very high standards due to risk of disease transmission. If protocols are not followed they will be removed from the program.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Following established procedures and protocols
2. Log experiences after socialization of observations/isolation dogs
3. Provide enrichment items for dogs after walks or in kennel socialization
4. Read and follow all posted door signs, wearing all personal protective equipment (PPE)

QUALIFICATIONS:

1. Comfort working with dogs
2. Minimum of 15 hours of dog walking in the dog walker program
3. Minimum 18 years of age

TRAINING:

1. Attend MSRPAC's volunteer general informational session and round robin dog socialization session
2. Attend training session with Animal Wellness Supervisor or Coordinator
3. Attend training session with Center's Dog Behaviorist
4. Interview with Volunteer Services Manager or designee

TIME AND PLACE:

Shifts available during regular hours of operation.

COMMITMENT:

Minimum of one hour per week for six months

SUPERVISION:

Direct supervision by the Animal Wellness Supervisor, Animal Wellness Coordinator and/or Director of Operations.
Indirect supervision by the Volunteer Services manager or coordinator.

BENEFITS:

1. Continuing Education
2. Recognition events
3. Volunteer newsletter
4. 10% discount at Critter Corner Pet Store
5. Personal fulfillment
6. Licks, wags and purrs!