



Careers In Animal Welfare

There are so many positions in the animal welfare field. People who work with animals can have a variety of backgrounds. One requirement is compassion for animals and concern for their wellbeing. We are not only here to help animals, but to help people as well.

✔ **Humane Society Director**

The director runs an animal shelter and supervises staff with the ultimate goal being to ensure humane treatment of animals, and oversee that programs/services are helping homeless pets.

✔ **Animal Shelter Veterinarian**

A shelter Vet treats sick/injured animals and provides wellness care for shelter animals. They are responsible for the individual care of the entire shelter population as well as performing spay/neuter surgeries.

✔ **Veterinary Technician/Assistant**

Assisting the shelter Vet with wellness care & examines shelter animals. They also assist with surgical prep & recovery.

✔ **Animal Caregiver**

Caregivers provide the daily care to each shelter animal. They clean kennels, provide food/water, and may administer medications as needed. It is a hands-on job that puts you in direct contact with animals every day.

✔ **Adoption Counselors**

Counselors help people find the right match for their family's lifestyle. Matchmaking helps ensure that a pet has found a permanent home and won't be returned to the shelter. This job is good for someone who likes to work with both people and animals alike.

✔ **Humane Educator**

Educators present and teach programs throughout the community on various topics such as pet responsibility, bite prevention, and kindness to animals. Their role is to educate the public to affect the community's view/behavior towards animals.

✔ **Humane Investigator/ Animal Control Officer**

Duties can include responding to complaints about neglect, monitoring city ordinances and laws, helping stray animals etc.

✔ **Community Outreach**

Teaching and onboarding new volunteers and fosters. Communicating with businesses within the community to grow partnerships. Marketing adoptable animals and other programs such as pop-up clinics and adoption specials.

✔ **Animal Trainer**

Working with shelter animals and staff to implement training and behavior modification programs that address an animal's individual needs. This helps animals become more adoptable.

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