

JOB TITLE: Kennel Technician, Dog Shelter

FULL TIME/PART TIME: Full Time or Part Time REPORTS TO: Director of Operations, Dog Shelter

LOCATION: Alpharetta, GA

HOURLY PAY: \$15

# **Position Summary:**

Furkids, headquartered in Georgia, is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit charitable organization that operates the largest cage-free, no-kill shelter in the Southeast for rescued cats and Sadie's Place, a no-kill shelter for dogs. The Furkids mission is to rescue homeless animals, provide them with the best medical care and nurturing environment while working to find them a forever home. Furkids heals the whole animal, physically and emotionally, restoring its health and its spirit. Furkids has rescued and altered more than 65,000 animals since its founding in 2002.

# **Duties and Responsibilities:**

Kennel Technician's duties include feeding and giving water to animals following specific schedules and special feeding instructions. Exercise and let dogs out to play. Clean, organize, and disinfect animal quarters. Clean up after animals both inside & outside the facility, and clean animal runs and cages as needed throughout the day. Maintain the kennel area by performing tasks including sweeping/mopping floors, wiping counters, taking out trash, cleaning bathrooms, and checking supplies/inventory. Observe animals for possible signs of illnesses, diseases, or injuries & provide information about animal behavior.

Kennel technicians also provide treatment to sick or injured animals, or contact veterinarians /vet tech to administer treatment. Collect & record animal information such as weight, size, physical condition, food intake, treatments and medications received; & mix food, liquid formulas & medications.

Kennel technicians all have the ability to assist in training of shelter residents using positive reinforcement. Technicians are responsible for animal enrichment with shelter residents.

## **Education and Training Requirements:**

At minimum must have high school diploma

## **Knowledge and Skills Requirements:**

- Must be on time and dependable
- Must have good time management skills and the ability to prioritize
- Must have excellent communication skills and be able to work well in a team



- Must be able to work independently with maximum efficiency while maintaining good judgement
- Must maintain a positive attitude at all times and exhibit kindness and compassion to all shelter residents, visitors, and coworkers
- Must take initiative to constantly improve the shelter and maintain the highest standards in cleanliness and animal care.

# **Working Conditions:**

Good physical condition is a must for a Kennel technician because the work involves a lot of walking and lifting. Work is performed both indoors and outdoors. The work place is also often noisy because of the number of animals present, and the odor animal feces may be present.

## **Schedule:**

Shifts times are 1:00pm-9:00pm. Weekend availability is required.

## Salary:

\$15/hour

Job Types: Full-time, Part-time

Please email your resume to <u>jobs@furkids.org</u> in order to apply for this position.