



Center Valley Animal Rescue's Internships in Animal Rescue and Shelter Operations

Center Valley Animal Rescue (CVAR) in Quilcene, Washington has one, possibly two unpaid internships available. These are offered quarterly but may be tailored for your school's time frame.

About us:

CVAR is a non-profit no-kill animal rescue and shelter with a limited budget and a volunteer force of, on average, 30 - 35 dedicated people. We are funded almost entirely on private donations.

CVAR was established in 2002 and on its present site since 2004. We have 32 acres in a rural area, a building for a variety of small animals and outdoor pastures, barns and shelters for large animals.

Browse our website for more information and photographs.

We are on the picturesque Olympic Peninsula with a variety of outdoor recreational opportunities. Seattle is a short drive and ferry ride away.

About the position:

Internships are offered quarterly and will be for 20 hours/week. This will include some weekend work and some potential holiday work. This is an opportunity to get hands on experience with different aspects of farm animal and companion animal rescue and care. It also will help build the knowledge base of running a no-kill shelter and hone adoption screening skills.

Interns will assist with the daily tasks of animal care at CVAR. This may include feeding, giving meds to a variety of animals and giving fluids (mostly to cats). Interns may be asked to fill in when volunteers are unable to come in. This may include cleaning iguana enclosures, cleaning the turtle tank, and other as needed.

Interns will help during Open to the Public days giving tours and helping people who are interested in adopting a pet that is a good match.

Interns will help with intake of animals as needed.

Qualifications:

Age: Must be 18 or over

Must have a strong interest in animal welfare, be a self-starter and exhibit a willingness to learn.

Experience with companion animal and/or farm animal care preferred.

Preference given to students considering a career in animal rescue or veterinary medicine.

We will look for the same qualities that we find in our volunteers: enthusiastic, mature, hard working people who work with the overall team in an open and supportive manner.

The basics of life:

Housing, a fully furnished trailer attached to the building with a shared bathroom, is provided at no cost. This was our Executive Director's home for many years. It has a small kitchen area which includes a refrigerator and stove so the intern can cook their own meals.

Public transportation is minimal - Jefferson Transit has one bus that runs past here and up to connecting buses and to Port Townsend 4 times daily, twice on Saturdays and does not run on Sundays. It is suggested that interns have their own vehicle for transportation.

This is a volunteer position.