

Hopefield Animal Sanctuary & Visitor Centre, Sawyers Hall Lane, Brentwood, Essex, CM15 9BZ

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Registered Charity Number: 1181186

"Saving Animals Together Since 1983"

<u>Volunteer Role Profile – Animal Caregiver</u>

Are you passionate about animals and their welfare? Are you looking for a rewarding volunteer role where you can make a real difference to the lives of animals who haven't had the best start in life?

In this role, you'll be helping to provide exceptional care to our rescued residents, whilst ensuring their health and happiness. You'll have the chance to volunteer with a variety of animals, learning about their behaviours, while creating a nurturing environment for them to thrive in. You'll enhance and develop your fitness and wellbeing in this physically demanding but joyous and rewarding role.

You'll begin under the supervision of our experienced staff and, and following training, you may be asked to take responsibility for certain tasks, either alone or working with other volunteers.

Responsibilities:

- Prepare and give food and provide fresh water for animals
- Clean and maintain animal enclosures to ensure a safe and healthy environment
- Provide animals with enrichment to promote their physical and mental wellbeing
- Engage with visitors and educate them about the sanctuary's mission and our animals

Requirements:

- Physically able to, for example: lift and carry a bucket of water or feed; clean and sweep a stable; walk for long distances*
- Able to follow instructions and work safely following guidelines
- Comfortable working outside in any weather
- Work independently and as part of a team
- Take responsibility for tasks and complete them within deadlines
- Compassionate and patient attitude towards animals and people

Our best volunteers are reliable, dependable, compassionate, and ready to embrace the challenges of working with animals. And in return for giving us your time, we'll give you a 40% discount in Max's Café and our Gift Shop.

Commitment:

- Hours: Full day (8am 4pm) or half day (8am 1.30pm)
- Minimum: One day per week all year round