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## *Job Description- Kennel Technician* Juneau Animal Rescue

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### **ESSENTIAL DUTIES & PRIMARY JOB PURPOSE** *includes the following:*

JAR Kennel Technician is responsible for maintaining a safe and sanitary facility for animals and people and providing humane handling and care for all shelter animals. Applicants should enjoy spending time with animals of all shapes and sizes and being outdoors year round in all types of weather. Job duties include handling, training, care, feeding and cleaning of kennel areas. Applicants must be physically active, reliable, compassionate, and willing to learn and follow JAR protocols for cleaning, sanitation, animal handling, and maintaining confidentiality. Experience with animals a plus but not required. Other duties may be assigned. The Kennel Technician reports directly to the Kennel Supervisor.

### **KENNEL TECHNICIAN TASKS & MAJOR RESPONSIBILITIES**

1. Responsible for all duties related to the care of shelter animals to include cleaning of holding areas, assuring that animals receive food and water, bathing, grooming and animal handling with positive reinforcement.
2. Observes and evaluates animals for signs of illness and reports symptoms to appropriate personnel.
3. Performs continual cleaning duties
4. Records information as required.
5. Walking dogs, working with animals on basic training skills and exercise.

### **QUALIFICATIONS & REQUIREMENTS:**

*To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty and task satisfactorily. The requirements listed below are representative of the knowledge, skill, and/or ability required. Reasonable accommodations will be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.*

1. Ability to follow directions and adhere to JAR kennel procedures, behavior management & training protocols.
2. Ability to learn and perform the skills of safe animal handling per JAR protocols.
3. Ability to work continuously on your feet in a physically demanding job.
4. Ability to complete tasks easily and repeatedly like mopping, scrubbing, bending, and lifting up to 50 lbs.
5. Ability to work in inclement weather.
6. Ability to work with varied animal species.
7. Self motivation, teamwork, strong communication skills & ability to handle stress in a calm, respectful manner.
8. Ability and willingness to work a varied work schedule including weekends and holidays.
9. JAR is a drug free environment.
10. Reliable transportation a MUST (Shifts may include times that the buses do not run.)

### **EMPLOYMENT DISCLAIMER:**

*This job description is not a contract - management reserves the right to change its contents at any time. This organization complies with the guidelines set forth in the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, sex, age, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity or status as a disabled veteran or veteran of the Vietnam era.  
This organization is an Equal Opportunity Employer.*