Title: Animal Care Intern

Reports To: Jeannette Bush

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Handle all animal care responsibilities of Reptiles and Aquaria; including but not limited to: Feedings, feeding schedules, upkeep of tanks and enclosures, socialization of species
  
  ***must be comfortable with feeding our reptiles live mice and crickets***

- Make feeding supply purchases at local pet stores (supply and mileage reimbursements will be made at the end of each month; company credit card also available for use of feeding supply purchases)

- Coordinate the Public Feeding Days every Saturday at 12pm in the Interpretive Center

- Maintain salt water aquaria water quality by performing weekly water tests

- Assist with animal care and water testing responsibilities at the WOW bus

- Dust and maintain all interpretive center displays weekly and maintain lab area cleanliness and tidiness

- Assist with interpretive center display improvement, including but limited to the discovery drawer project

- Lead guided tours, service events, and education events

- Attend and represent the Bolsa Chica Conservancy for scheduled outreach events

- Perform hosting duties at the Interpretive Center when necessary, including general upkeep of Interpretive Center like sweeping and emptying trash cans

- Assist in annual events such as the annual gala, coastal clean-up day, Fourth of July Brunch, and Earth Day Festival
  
  *the annual gala requires all day, mandatory attendance*

- Participate in cross training, team building, and staff meetings

- Perform tasks as necessary and assigned

Position Requirements

- B.A. or B.S. in Natural Sciences or related field of study; or enrollment at a Junior College or University in Natural Sciences or related field of study

- Long-term session: Minimum of 500 hours completed by end of internship period

- Short-term session: minimum of 240 hours completed by end of internship period