



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 as needed; company credit card also available for use of feeding supply purchases).
- Assist with coordinating the Public Feeding Days every Saturday at 1pm in the Interpretive Center.
- Maintain saltwater aquaria water quality by performing weekly water tests, water changes, and cleaning acrylic, filter material, and protein skimmers.
- Assist with animal care and water testing responsibilities at the WOW bus.
- Maintain living quality of our reptile animal ambassadors including, but not limited to: filling water dishes, cleaning tanks, and improving conditions for shedding.
- Dust and maintain all interpretive center displays as needed and maintain lab area cleanliness and tidiness.
- Assist with other Conservancy operations and events as needed, including but not limited to:
 - Leading guided tours, services events, or other educational events.
 - Attending outreach events.
 - Assisting with larger events such as annual fundraising events (Barefoot Ball, 4th of July Brunch, etc.), Coastal Cleanup Day, and the Earth Day Festival.
- Participate in cross training, team building, and staff meetings.
- Perform tasks as necessary and assigned.
- Attendance is flexible depending on intern's schedule and extenuating circumstances. Frequent and/or uncommunicated absences may result in termination of the internship.

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

- A minimum of **150 hours** is required to complete the internship. Longer term internships are available as well.