



Kitten Season Internship

Background: The Humane Society of Harlingen offers unpaid internships for high school Juniors & Seniors, college students, and recent graduates. The Humane Society of Harlingen admits an average of 6,000 animals annually, and services thousands more during clinics and other community engagement initiatives. Kitten Season Interns are offered the unique ability to gain hands-on experience in animal care, shelter medicine and shelter best practices, all while being a part of the lifesaving team at HSH.

HSH offers year-round internship opportunities for the spring, summer, and fall semesters. Under the direction of HSH Staff, Kitten Season interns will be responsible for all aspects of daily animal care, for kittens including:

- Feeding (can include bottle feeding)
- Maintaining kennel cleanliness
- Paperwork, record keeping, photo taking
- Assisting medical team with medical tasks such as; weighing, administering medications, ringworm treatment, monitoring the health and activity of kittens throughout the day

Qualifications:

- Ability to remain calm when working under pressure in a fast paced environment.
- Ability to work well with others and work as a team to provide high quality service.
- Ability to follow direction and wear required personal protective equipment (PPE) in order to maintain a clean and safe working environment.
- Maintain compassion and goal-based mindset in difficult situations.
- Maintain attention to detail and ability to communicate effectively
- Provide reliable, timely support as a part of the HSH team.
- Ability to lift 50 pounds without assistance.

Hours:

Humane Society of Harlingen interns are required to work 15-20 hours per week for a minimum of 12 weeks. Weekends may be required. Hours are flexible, and exceptions can be made to account for educational commitments. HSH operates from 8:30 AM to 6 PM, seven days a week. Mondays and Tuesdays are preferable.

Dates:

Start dates are determined after interviews are complete and are based on the number of applicants and their availability. School hours and commitments are taken into consideration.

Application Instructions:

To apply, send an application, cover letter and resume to intern@hshtx.org or mail/deliver to: 1106 Markowsky Ave Harlingen, Texas 78550.

Upon request, a written evaluation will be sent to the school or organization of the interns choosing at the completion of the internship.