



Dane County Humane Society Volunteer Position Description

Job title:	ANIMAL VISITATION VOLUNTEER
Reports to:	Humane Educator
Trained by:	Trained Staff and Volunteers
Scope of Position:	This position supports Dane County Humane Society's mission and core values by teaching children and adults alike about the human-animal bond, and how to care for many different animals.

Duties and responsibilities:

- Respond to animal visitation volunteer opportunities as available and visit for 30 minutes to an hour at a time (usually at DCHS, but occasionally offsite)
 - Opportunities include visiting Camp Pawprint or Humane Hero meetings at DCHS, visiting schools/senior centers with the Humane Educator, being present at tabling or fundraising events offsite, and more!
- Safely transport and handle your animal (pet or livestock) to, during, and from a presentation
- Educate people about your animals and allow guests to meet and pet them. For example, if you volunteer with a dog, educate people about your dog's history and breed, demonstrate a few tricks if possible, answer questions, and show them how to safely pet your dog

Requirements:

- Minimum age of 18 years old
- Excellent communication and public speaking skills
- Friendly and positive attitude
- Enjoy working with children and adults in an educational setting
- Your animal must be safe and comfortable meeting new people, especially children
- Sign and return the Animal Visitation Form and current vet records (if applicable) to the Humane Educator before you bring your animals(s) to humane education programs

Training, Schedule and Commitment:

- Participate in ongoing evaluation program
- Animal Visitation programs occur on week days, weekends, and evenings. Animal visits normally last 30 minutes to an hour at a time. Animal Visitation volunteers are scheduled on an as-needed basis.
- Commit to a minimum of six (6) months