Animal Care Volunteer

Baltimore City Recreation & Parks invites caring and respectful individuals to apply for our Animal Care Volunteer position. As part of the BCRP team, you will have direct experiences caring for and learning about live animals at Gwynns Falls Leakin Park.

Animal Care Volunteers working with Carrie Murray Nature Center will be entrusted with feeding, cleaning, enrichment, and monitoring our collection of live animals. The main goal of an Animal Care Volunteer is to provide attention to all animals at the Nature Center and make sure they are happy and healthy! The Nature Center’s live animals are an exciting part of our mission to connect members of the Baltimore community with nature. All of the Nature Center animals are rescues and are also part of educational youth programs. Examples of duties may include: preparing fresh meals, cleaning enclosures, providing enrichment, assisting in health care checks, and updating exhibits.

Orientation and training are provided. Being an Animal Care Volunteer for the Nature Center is a fantastic way to gain experience with a variety of animals and how to properly care for their unique needs!

OVERVIEW OF RESPONSIBILITIES

- Provide daily care and enrichment for reptiles, amphibians, and birds
- Make improvements to exhibits as necessary
- Demonstrate professional standards of communication, attitude, and appearance in all interactions with children, parents, and BCRP staff

QUALIFICATIONS

- Must be 16 years or older to work with the indoor animals
- Must be 18 years or older to work with the birds
- Prior experience in animal care preferred
- Comfortable with all types of animals and willingness to learn proper handling techniques
- Strong interest in wildlife, environmental science, or a related field
- Eager to provide happy and healthy lives to rescued animals
- Have a kind, humorous, and considerate attitude