

JOB TITLE:	Animal Caregiver I	DEPARTMENT:	Chimpanzee Sanctuary
FLSA:	Full Time	LOCATION:	Charlesville, Margibi
DEADLINE:	December 19, 2025	VACANCIES	3

### **GENERAL PURPOSE OF THE POSITION:**

To provide daily care of the chimpanzees living at Second Chance Chimpanzee Refuge Liberia. Carries out the essential daily operations of the project and ensures the welfare of the chimpanzees.

# **ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- 1. Provides direct, daily care to the chimpanzees, including feeding an appropriate diet, providing fresh water, and administering birth control and preventative health measures. This includes driving sanctuary boats and vehicles as necessary to deliver food to the chimpanzees. Monitors chimpanzee health, behavior, and well-being and promptly reports any concerns and/or medical needs to the Senior Animal Caregiver, Welfare and the resident veterinarian. Works with the resident veterinarian to administer medication/treatment.
- 2. Keeps accurate records on daily animal health, feeding, medical care, and contraceptives, and ensures other animal related records are collected, reviewed and filed for future reference (including entering the data in the ZIMS computer platform).
- 3. Prepares animal food with high standards of hygiene including weighing and recording food. Communicates or reports any shortages, gaps, or inability to feed an individual chimpanzee promptly to a Senior Caregiver or the Manager, Animal Care.
- 4. Supports and participates in advanced direct care operations, such veterinary procedures that require immobilization on and off the island and emergency/disaster planning and response efforts.
- 5. Supports the orientation of new staff or volunteers on chimpanzee husbandry, behavior, and caregiver-chimp interaction protocols.
- 6. In conjunction with the Director, Animal Care, participates in visitor tours (including tourists, student groups, and media outlets) to the islands and educates visitors about the chimpanzees.
- 7. Participates in organization public campaigns when called upon by the Humane World Office or the Director, Animal Care.
- 8. Performs other duties or responsibilities, as assigned.

#### **EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE:**

- 1. Bachelor's Degree of Science in Conservation or Nature, or Environment, or its equivalent is preferred.
- 2. A minimum of two (2) years of experience working with chimpanzees or other primates, preferably in a sanctuary or zoological setting, is required.

## NECESSARY KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:

- 1. Must be fluent in English.
- 2. Must drive STANDARD VEHICLE
- 3. Must have a *valid driver's license* and a clean driving record are desirable.
- 4. Must be up to date on MMR (measles, mumps, and rubella), Hepatitis A, Hepatitis B, Tetanus, Yellow Fever, Rabies and other relevant vaccinations.
- 5. Must be free of any infectious diseases that are transmissible to chimpanzees.
- 6. Must provide a negative TB test on an annual basis
- 7. Proficiency of Microsoft Suite (Word, PowerPoint, Excel, Outlook).
- 8. Strong written and verbal communication skills.
- 9. Attention to detail and commitment to excellence, demonstrated by the delivery of quality and timely outcomes.
- 10. Strong interpersonal skills are necessary.
- 11. Strong interest in animal protection issues preferred.

## Please include the following documents:

- 1. Letter of Application
- 2. Letter of Intent
- 3. Curriculum Vitae
- 4. Diploma & Certificates

All interested candidates please address your application to esaykpah@humaneworld.org

Note: Hard copies are not accepted.

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