



# GUADALUPE COUNTY

## Sheriff Joshua Ray



### Guadalupe County Sheriff's Office Animal Services Volunteer Application

3021 N Guadalupe St, Seguin, TX 78155 (830) 379-1224

#### **Applicant Information**

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Method of Contact: Phone/ Text/ Email

Are you a resident of Guadalupe County? (Circle One) Yes or No

If **No**, What county do you currently reside in? \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Emergency Contact:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Volunteer Availability**

Hours available to volunteer are *10AM-1PM on Wednesday Thursday and Friday ONLY.....*

Preferred Days (circle all that apply): Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

How often are you interested in volunteering (circle all that apply): Weekly, Biweekly, Monthly, Special Events only

#### **Volunteer Interest & Experience**

Why do you want to volunteer?

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Have you ever been convicted of an animal-related offense?

☐ No

☐ Yes (if yes please explain)

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Have you ever been dismissed from another shelter or rescue?

- ☐ No  
☐ Yes (if yes please explain)
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Have you worked with dogs before?

- ☐ No  
☐ Yes (if yes please explain your experience)
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**Agreements & Acknowledgements (please read and initial in front of each statement below)**

***Initialing the statement acknowledges your agreement and compliance.***

- \_\_\_\_\_ Volunteers will treat each other, GCSO Animal Services Staff, with respect, kindness, and understanding at ALL TIMES. Sexual harassment or violence will result in immediate dismissal from the program and offenders will no longer be allowed on premises.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Volunteers will treat all visitors to GCSO Animal Services with respect, kindness, and understanding at all times.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Volunteers understand that some dogs can be unpredictable, and can bite, scratch, or claw due to a stressful environment, and volunteers will USE EXTRA PRECAUTIONS WHEN HANDLING ANIMALS.
- \_\_\_\_\_ In order to protect the public, staff, volunteers, and the animals, volunteers will report any signs of animal aggression or illness to a staff member immediately. Any bite from an animal must be reported to staff *immediately*.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Social Media Rules:
- No photos or videos of animals, staff, volunteers, facilities, or vehicles may be taken or shared.
  - Volunteers may not speak on behalf or represent themselves online as spokespeople for GCSO Animal Services, on any social media platform.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Volunteers help at the direction of the GCSO Animal Services staff only.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Any complaints, concerns, or suggestions must be directed to the Animal Services Supervisor.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Volunteers understand that there are unfortunate circumstances when some animals have to be euthanized. GCSO Animal Services generally euthanize animals who have veterinary needs that cannot be met by the resources available or whose temperament poses a threat or Injury to people or other animals. Volunteers are never asked to be part of the process but it is important they can accept staff decisions concerning euthanasia when it is necessary.
- \_\_\_\_\_ VOLUNTEERS MUST FOLLOW ALL GCSO ANIMAL SERVICES GUIDELINES. FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THESES GUIDELINES WILL RESULT IN IMMEDIATE CESSATION OF VOLUNTEER PRIVILEGES.

**Liability Waiver, Assumption of Risk, & Background Check Consents**

I understand that risks are involved in volunteering and release Guadalupe County Sheriff's Office Animal Services and its staff from any liability.

I further understand that **all applicants must pass a criminal background check** as a condition of volunteering and authorize The Guadalupe County Sheriff's Office to conduct this check.

**Signature:**\_\_\_\_\_ **Date:**\_\_\_\_\_

**For Office Use Only**

**Approved By:**\_\_\_\_\_ **Date:**\_\_\_\_\_  
(Lieutenant or Above)