Atascosa County Animal Control Division

Job Type

Full Time Texas Peace officer/ Animal control officer.

General Summary

Atascosa County Animal control officers will perform field work to ensure that the general public is protected from stray and abused animals and disease outbreaks associated with animals, particularly rabies. Ensures that animals are treated humanely and quarantined according to the policies and procedures set forth by state law.

Detailed Description

ACO's will patrol and retrieves stray, unwanted animals from citizens, businesses, and unincorporated areas. Investigates complaints of nuisance animals, animal bites and unsanitary conditions. Issues notices, citations, verbal warnings and provide technical advice and retrieve animals requiring quarantine. Transports animals to the animal control facility and sends specimens to the state lab to be tested for rabies. Will euthanize animals and properly disposal of animal remains when necessary. Inspects and maintains the animal shelter, observes animals, and ensures proper daily care and feeding. Prepares and maintains work records, gathers evidence to prepare cases for court, provides testimonies and performs other duties as assigned.

Maintains assigned vehicle and animal control equipment to ensure cleanliness and safe operation. ACO's will work a daily 12-hour flex schedule (7 am to 7 pm) which consist of a 3 on 2 off, 2 on 3 off work week.

Job Requirements

Applicants must have current, TCOLE basic peace officer certification.

Graduation from an accredited high school or GED Program. One (1) year of work related, peace officer experience. Knowledge of standard software applications. Ability to effectively communicate, both verbally and in writing, and establish and maintain effective working relationships with employees, departments and the general public.

Possess State Certification in Basic Animal Control **or** become certified within six (6) months of employment. Must possess a valid Texas Driver's License, with a good driving record. Must pass an extensive background investigation. Mandatory physical and drug testing prior to employment and will be subject to random, unannounced drug and/or alcohol testing during employment.

Physical abilities

Must be physically fit with the ability to lift or carry up to 50 pounds without assistance. Ability to push, pull or carry up to 200 pounds with assistance. Must be able to work on your feet for a continuous twelve-hour shift in both indoor and outdoor locations.

Salary

\$46,000.00 yearly with benefits. 90-day probationary period. Additional monthly uniform allowance and take-home vehicle provided.