

Job Title:**Part-Time Animal Control Officer (ACO)****Department:** Atascosa County Animal Control**Location:** 292 Spur 162, Jourdanton, TX 78026**Starting Pay:** \$12.00 per hour – Part-Time, Non-Exempt**Schedule:** 24 hours per week; may include weekends, holidays, and on-call rotation

Job Summary:

Under general supervision, the Part-Time Animal Control Officer enforces county animal control ordinances in unincorporated areas of Atascosa County. Responsibilities include responding to calls involving domestic animals (dogs and cats), capturing and transporting animals, investigating complaints, and promoting public safety and animal welfare.

Essential Duties:

- Responds to service calls involving stray, injured, or aggressive animals.
- Captures and transports animals using humane and safe methods.
- Investigates reports of animal cruelty, neglect, or ordinance violations.
- Issues warnings or citations as directed.
- Educates the public on animal control laws and responsible pet ownership.
- Completes accurate reports and maintains records.
- Assists with shelter operations and euthanasia procedures (if certified).
- Maintains assigned vehicle and equipment.
- Performs other duties as assigned.

Minimum Qualifications:

- High school diploma or GED.
- Valid Texas driver's license with an acceptable driving record.

- Must obtain Basic Animal Control Officer Certification within 12 months of hire.
 - Must be euthanasia certified or willing to become certified.
 - Ability to lift 50+ lbs and work in various weather conditions.
 - Strong communication and decision-making skills.
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Preferred Qualifications:

- Prior experience in animal control, law enforcement, or animal care.
 - Bilingual (English/Spanish) preferred.
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Work Environment:

Work is performed in both indoor and outdoor settings, including exposure to animals, animal waste, and potentially hazardous conditions. Use of personal protective equipment is required.

Application Instructions:

Interested applicants must submit a completed Atascosa County Employment Application. Applications can be obtained from:

- Atascosa County Animal Control Facility
- Atascosa County Human Resources Department
- Or downloaded from the county website: www.atascosacounty.texas.gov

Submit completed applications to:

Sarah Rihn, Shelter Director
Atascosa County Animal Control
292 Spur 162
Jourdanton, TX 78026

Or email to: srihn@co.atascosa.tx.us

Note: Incomplete applications or résumés without a completed county application will not be considered.