



HHS Internship Program Guidelines /FAQ

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Healing HEART Sanctuary (HHS) is a forever care and adoption organization specifically for physically injured or disabled domestic and farm rescue animals. While at HHS many of our animals become "Ambassadors of Hope" by working with local children and adults in an unconditionally loving, non-judgmental manner and be examples that hope, love and joy can be found again, even after a major trauma and that being different does not mean being any less of value in this world.

We are a small sanctuary located in Kanab, UT, right in the middle of some of the most spectacular southwestern national parks and just 15 minutes away from Best Friends Animal Society.

This internship is a 5 week immersion into working with physically injured or disabled animals, though we will entertain slightly shorter or longer possibilities. One must be physically and emotionally able to handle this kind of work. Most of our animals are stable (not just out of the vet emergency room) so long term care and solutions are mostly what we focus on. The internships can start/finish at any time of the year, space depending, and will also receive a certificate of completion at the end of the internship. More info below...

WHAT WILL I BE DOING?

- Caring for the animals and their areas
- Socializing with the animals – on and off site
- Assisting in traditional and alternative therapies for the injured/disabled animals (ie. water therapy, frequency/sound wave therapy, massage, energy work, etc)
- Learning to work with incontinent animals, dress wounds and animal wheelchair assistance and maintenance
- Focusing on a “pet” project of your choosing (and our approval) to be completed by end of the internship (ie. working with one specific animal to make their quality of life better, creating a new area for the animals to enjoy, fundraising for something specific, etc)

WHO MAY PARTICIPATE?

Individuals 18 years old or older who may be considering or pursuing a career in an animal related field and has a special place in their heart for injured or disabled animals. HHS is open to having special needs interns apply but please call first so we can assess your needs and our own.

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WHAT IS REQUIRED OF ME?

- Your time 5 days a week from 11am to 6pm
- Willingness and flexibility to do many different things a must
- Knowledge of and willingness to express physical capabilities (high desert climate and 4,000 ft altitude)

IS THERE A CHARGE FOR THE PROGRAM?

There is no charge *but* the intern is responsible for their own travel and living expenses while in the program.

- Housing – usually between \$100-\$150 a week (we can provide a list of housing possibilities)
- Car – rentals are limited but available (note... many car rental agencies do not rent to individuals under 25 years old)
- Gas - is higher than the national average
- Food – local restaurants, fast food and grocery stores (check with housing provider if kitchen privileges are available)
- Spending money
- Entrance fees to the local National Parks is \$25 each visit unless you purchase an annual pass for \$80

HOW DO I APPLY?

Email us for an application volunteer@HealingHeartSanctuary.org After your application is received and approved we will schedule a phone interview.

WHEN CAN I START?

You can plan for when it's convenient to your schedule, unless our quota of interns for a specific time period is full.

BENEFITS OF THE AREA

- Best Friends Animal Society only 15 minutes away – Tours and volunteering available
- 5 breathtaking National Parks (Zion, Bryce, Grand Canyon, Lake Powell, Escalante) and numerous other places of interest within 2 hours
- Hiking, photography, sightseeing, boating and more

WHAT IF I GET THERE AND IT DOESN'T WORK OUT

You are under no obligation to remain at Healing HEART Sanctuary. However, if you leave before the end of the internship period, we will not be able to certify that you completed the Internship Program.

Healing HEART Sanctuary also reserves the right to ask an intern to leave if we feel our program does not fit your needs or that of our sanctuary.