

Animal Care Manager Ad

The Lemur Conservation Foundation is seeking a motivated person for the Animal Care Manager position at the Myakka City Lemur Reserve. The Animal Care Manager's primary responsibilities will be the daily and long term husbandry management of the lemur colony (currently 40 individuals and growing) and the supervision of interns and researchers. The Lemur Conservation Foundation (LCF) is dedicated to the preservation and conservation of lemurs through captive breeding, non-invasive scientific research, education, and reintroduction. LCF operates the 100-acre, non-public, AZA certified Reserve in the Myakka City area in southwest Florida. Visit www.lemurreserve.org for more information.

The ideal candidate will be energetic, self-motivated, work well in a team atmosphere and have proven problem solving, organizational, communication, supervisory and time management skills. He or she must have a bachelor's degree in a Life Sciences field from an accredited four-year college or university and a minimum of four years related experience, preferably at an AZA member institution. An equivalent combination of education, experience, and training is also acceptable. Experience working with primates is preferred and experience in a supervisory capacity is required. Job duties include the development and application of husbandry, nutritional and behavioral management standards, including recordkeeping, enrichment, and husbandry training; overseeing the preventative health programs as prescribed by the veterinarian and assisting with handling and care during veterinary procedures; coordinating the safety committee and insuring emergency response preparedness while assuring complying with USDA, OSHA and other regulatory standards; representing the Foundation in a professional manner at conferences/meetings and assisting with tours and public/media requests; providing technical assistance to researchers conducting IACUC approved studies and to students and professors participating in the Field Training Programs, and fulfilling other duties as assigned. All staff must have an annual Tb test. This job requires the ability to lift and/or move up to 35 pounds when cleaning and maintaining animal housing and moving animals. Weekend, evening, and holiday work is required. This position is an essential service position where the incumbent is expected to provide services during emergency situations and all kinds of weather conditions.

The Animal Care Manager lives in the Fisher Caretaker's Cottage (2br/2b) on the Reserve property and will be available or on-call 24 hours a day. This is a full-time position with vacation, health benefits and opportunities for professional growth and development. Compensation package includes staff housing on the Myakka City Lemur Reserve. Starting salary is \$24,000.

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