



VOLUNTEER POSITION DESCRIPTION

POSITION TITLE:

Dog TLC – Running Buddy

LOCATION:

Lantos Center located at 1450 Rollins Road, Burlingame, CA 94010

SUPERVISOR:

Behavior Department

GOAL OF POSITION:

To give dogs up for adoption increased physical exercise, which will help to alleviate their stress and boredom while here at PHS. They will focus on those dogs that require more physical exercise, such as young adults and high energy breeds.

TIME COMMITMENT:

Minimum 1 hour a week, for a minimum of one year.

DUTIES:

Running Buddy volunteers will run dogs along the standard dog TLC routes for a length of time of their choosing (depending on volunteer and dog's physical limitations). After the run, volunteers will record notes about visit on Blue Volunteer Visit card.

TRAINING:

All Running Buddy volunteers must have completed a Dog TLC Training. Afterwards they will complete a one-on-one shadow.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Must be able to reliably commit at least 1 hour on a set day each week, and be able to come in at least 1 day a week. The volunteer must be over 18 years of age and have one through the required trainings. Unlike regular TLC volunteers, Running Buddies can wear shorts when TLCing.

EMOTIONAL CONSIDERATIONS:

It is very easy to become attached to the animals in our care. You must be able to focus on what you can do to make their time at the shelter comfortable and as loving as possible. You must recognize that some animals are too sick to be made well or have a behavioral issue that is too severe and they will not become available for adoption. We adopt out 100% of the healthy adoptable animals we care for each year.

DRESS CODE:

Volunteers must wear long pants and closed-toe shoes with good traction along with a PHS/SPCA volunteer shirt and keycard/nametag. (Running Buddies can wear shorts when TLCing.)