# **Berkeley County Government**

#### JOB OPENING - EXTERNAL POSTING

# **ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER (PS101632)**

**DEPARTMENT: ANIMAL SERVICES** 

JOB SUMMARY/ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS: Receive, respond, investigate and implement plans for resolving public and law enforcement requests relating to the violation(s) of the County animal control code ordinances. Primary duties of this position include but not limited to capturing, controlling, and ensuring proper treatment is given to unwanted or escaped animals in accordance with adopted department procedures, policies and county regulations. Investigate complaints of and perform wellness checks on abused, neglected and other alleged violations involving the mistreatment of animals. Issue citations and present cases in court which involve presenting evidence, calling and questioning witnesses and testifying in relation to violations involving the animal control code ordinances. Distribute information, provide training, and educate the general public on county regulations and the acceptable standards of animal care/containment processes as prescribed by prevailing best management practices, local ordinances, laws and policies. Handle and transport captured animals in compliance with the Berkeley County Animal Control Ordinance and department procedures. Maintain knowledge and current certifications related to compliance with appropriate procedures and regulations for animal capture, animal containment and animal care violations. Maintain and safely operate equipment used in the performance of duties related to the position. Assist with cleaning, adoptions as well as caring for animals on a daily basis. Perform other duties as assigned.

#### **QUALIFICATIONS:**

High school graduate or equivalent and six (6) months related working experience required.

National Animal Control Association (NACA) certification is preferred. Will be required to obtain a NACA certification during employment.

Must have and maintain a valid driver's license for South Carolina with a safe driving record.

Knowledge of the Berkeley County area preferred.

Must be comfortable working with all animals.

Departmental testing may be administered during interview.

Completed degree(s) beneficial to the position may be partially considered as work experience.

A criminal background check will be completed on selected applicant if a current one (less than 3 years old) is not on file.

#### PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS:

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to reach with hands and arms. The employee frequently is required to stand; walk; and use hands to handle, feel or operate objects, tools, or controls. The employee is occasionally required to sit; climb or balance; stoop, kneel, crouch, or crawl; talk and hear. The employee must frequently lift and/or move up to ninety (90) pounds. Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, distance vision, color vision, peripheral vision, depth perception and the ability to adjust focus. The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job.

## **SAFETY INFORMATION/DUTIES:**

This is a safety sensitive position and subject to random drug and alcohol testing. All employees holding such jobs or requesting promotion or transfer to such jobs are subject to drug and alcohol testing. Attends all required safety training, follows safety policies and procedures and uses appropriate PPE (Personal Protective Equipment) for assigned tasks.

## HOURS OF WORK/MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION:

This position is classified as non-exempt and reports directly to the Animal Services Manager. Thirty-seven and one half (37.5) hours per week. Employees who work in Animal Services are required to work a rotating work schedule. Must be flexible to work anytime during normal working hours Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m with the ability to work after hours when necessary. Scheduled hours/days, job location, duties and any other information contained herein is subject to change. May be required to work extra hours and to perform extra or different duties during emergency situations. **Rotating weekends, holidays and "on-call" status required.** 

If you are interested in applying for a position with Berkeley County Government, you will need to set up a personal account and apply online, click on "Applicant Online" from our website <a href="https://www.berkeleycountysc.gov">www.berkeleycountysc.gov</a> and follow the prompts. For questions, contact Human Resources at 843-719-4163. Computers are available in the Berkeley County Administration Building and the Libraries to apply online.

**Animal Control Officer – Grade: 110** 

**Entry Level Bi-Weekly Pay Range: \$1063.23 - \$1222.72** 

**Date of Posting: 10/27/2017** 

Closing Date: Subject to close at any time.

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APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOLLOWING THE CLOSING DATE.