



HARDIN COUNTY ANIMAL SERVICES IS NOW HIRING!

Animal Control Officer

The Animal Control Officer is responsible for enforcing animal care laws, ensuring public health and safety, and rescuing domesticated animals.

Key Responsibilities:

Respond to emergency calls

Investigate animal abuse or neglect

Capture and impound stray or dangerous animals and transport them to the shelter or veterinarian

Complete records and reports accurately

Conduct community outreach on pet care and population control

Additional responsibilities involve maintaining the assigned vehicle, assisting at the shelter, attending court when necessary, and collecting donations. The officer is expected to represent the County professionally in all interactions.

This position is within a 365-day operational environment, meaning that services are provided throughout the entire year, including holidays and weekends. Animal Control Officers are expected to be flexible, as on-call duty is required. This entails being available to respond to urgent situations or emergencies outside of regular working hours.

Qualifications

- Strong verbal and written communication skills to interact effectively with the public and prepare reports
- Ability to assess situations and make quick, informed decisions regarding animal welfare and public safety
- Maturity, good judgment, and a professional personal appearance
- Strong problem-solving skills
- Flexibility, ability to manage multiple tasks
- Comfort and ability in working with animals of unknown disposition and those who may exhibit medical and other problems, as well as fearful or aggressive tendencies
- Ability to perform physical tasks, such as capturing animals and handling them safely
- Previous experience in animal care, handling, or control; experience in law enforcement or public safety is a plus

- Desire to work with a dedicated supportive team to make a difference in animal welfare and community well-being in Hardin County