

Handyman / DIYer (Facilities maintenance)

About the organisation and department

The mission of Animal Aid Unlimited is to rescue and treat the un-owned street animals of India who have become ill or injured, and through their rescue inspire a community to protect and defend the lives of all animals.

We operate one of India's most active rescue services, responding to an average of 80 calls on our helpline every day and involving thousands of Udaipur residents in the process of rescuing street animals every year. Our hospital and sanctuary (located in Badi, 10km from Udaipur) house a total of more than 700 animals (dogs, cows, donkeys, cats and other animals).

General purpose of the role

The handy(wo)man helps maintain the shelter in good working order, ensuring the space is safe and adequate for all the animals. This includes preventive maintenance, small repairs, simple appliance installations, etc. This role is for an experienced hands-on person, who can find lasting solutions to recurring and new facilities issues around the shelter, from a hole in the fence, to a pipe leaking, or a broken light. Creative DIYers can challenge themselves making dog houses, chickens coops, or a play area for the goats.

Professionals with experience in constructions are also welcome to apply and can be involved with larger facilities projects, such as area renovations and the planning and construction of the new Animal Aid hospital in the coming years.

Key area of responsibility

1. Oversee the general conditions of the shelter and keep on top of the maintenance
2. Carry out small maintenance tasks/repairs (plumbing, electrical, masonry) on their own
3. Suggests and implements solutions for shelter enhancement
4. Helps supervising works carried out around the shelter

Experience and skills

1. Hands-on experience (formal or informal) on a variety of small repairs and similar handyman tasks
2. Resourcefulness, must enjoy problem-solving and finding creative solutions
3. Able to work independently
4. Fluency in English
5. Previous experience with animals (volunteer, pets, etc) is essential
6. Understanding and sharing Animal Aid's mission and vision

Duration

We welcome applications for both short term (min. one month) or longer term stay.

A trial period will be required before the position can be formally offered for longer stay.