

Humane Animal Rescue is the second largest shelter for animals in Pennsylvania and the only shelter that includes a Wildlife Center. In addition to caring for shelter pets, our organization also offers training services to the public. These services help to build the bond between owners and their pets while aiding in keeping pets in their homes. Our training program trains over 900 dogs and their people annually and strives to help build a strong, trusting bond between dogs and their people.

Humane Animal Rescue is currently seeking highly motivated, independent and experienced professional dog trainers for this contracted position. Trainers will be asked to instruct group classes with the possibility of private one-on-one training sessions at both our North Side and East End facilities in Pittsburgh, PA. Current classes vary and include all levels of obedience, canine sports & fun, and behavior modification. In each of our classes, the trainer will utilize positive training methods that help dogs and their owners together build a lifetime bond and increase confidence and trust.

Care they need. Love they deserve.

Job Responsibilities:

- Act as a subject matter expert for Humane Animal Rescue obedience training program
- Conduct weekly group classes with the possibility of private one-on-one training sessions
- Teaching group dog/puppy training classes using positive reinforcement training methods
- Organize educational materials and keep detailed training records
- Manage dogs of all breeds, sizes and temperaments
- Assist training clients in a professional, courteous, and efficient manner
- Report any and all incidents to the Manager of Relocations & Behavior Training
- Support and promote the mission and goals of the Humane Animal Rescue

Additional Information & Qualifications:

- CPDT-KA or Karen Pryor Academy (KPA-CTP) certifications highly preferred
- 1 year minimum of previous experience teaching positive reinforcement dog training techniques in a group class or one-on-on setting
- Experience in dog sports a plus
- Self-motivated with a positive attitude. Strong ability to inspire and motivate self and others
- Thorough understanding of dog behavior and breeds
- Must have availability on evenings and weekends
- Excellent communication/customer service skills
- Reliable transportation is required
- Computer literacy (Word, Excel, email, etc.)
- Must love both animals and their people and have a strong desire to help them
- High school diploma or GED required
- Excellent communication/customer service skills

Job Type: Contracted