

VETERINARY TECHNICIAN

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Fulltime | CCF SOMALILAND

Hargeisa, Somaliland

CHEETAH CONSERVATION FUND(CCF) is the oldest and longest-running program dedicated to cheetah research, education and conservation. CCF is growing, and we are actively seeking adventurous people with great dedication and a passion for wildlife to join our staff.

CCF is currently seeking a full-time **VETERINARY TECHNICIAN** for its cheetah rehabilitation facilities in Hargeisa, Somaliland. The facilities provide housing and veterinary care for cheetah cubs confiscated by government authorities from the illegal wildlife trade. Position works under the supervision of Veterinarians and a Project Manager and cooperates with Carnivore Keepers and animal care staff. Most work is clinical, but visits to external sites to administer care may be involved.

Main duties:

- Supporting the lead veterinarian with daily veterinary work and health management of confiscated cheetah cubs
- Assisting with health checks including procedure preparation, monitoring anesthesia, venipuncture, venous catheter placement, endotracheal intubation and dentistry
- Assisting with the organization and execution of cheetah cub rescues
- Travelling with the transport team on cheetah transfers alongside the Veterinarian
- Supporting the laboratory in regard processing of samples and coroscopy, cytology and blood work
- Conducting veterinary-related administrative duties such as animal record keeping, pharmacy and equipment inventory, maintenance of the clinic pharmacy, purchasing of veterinary drugs and other materials and equipment
- Caring of cheetahs, including cleaning, distributing food while adhering to strict safety protocols as required
- Assisting with reports, photography and other project documentation
- Other duties assigned by the Project Director, Project Manager or Veterinarian

Requirements:

- Minimum 4-year university degree
- At least one-year practical veterinary experience would be an advantage, however a strong attitude and aptitude for learning is of most importance
- Experience in animal care and husbandry is desirable
- Excellent written and spoken English
- Good knowledge of MS Office
- Willingness to relocate to Hargeisa, Somaliland
- Driver's license with good driving record
- Effective written and verbal communication skills; must be fluent in written and spoken English

Preferred Qualifications:

- On the ground experience working with a conservation program in Africa
- Ability to operate vehicles with manual transmission

What We Offer:

Salary plus benefits; local housing and meals provided. One round-trip airfare ticket for each six-months of continuous employment, or two trip tickets per calendar year.

Please send your CV in English as a PDF with a cover letter and include your salary range expectation and either three (3) letters of recommendation or three (3) references (name, title, phone number and email address). Please indicate the date you are available to start and the country issuing your passport.

PLEASE SEND APPLICATION MATERIALS TO:

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Position is available immediately.