



**Thank you for your interest in volunteering at Peoria Zoo!**

**Please read the following information carefully**

**before completing or updating the**

**Peoria Zoo Volunteer Adult Application Form.**

By completing this application you are authorizing the Peoria Park District to perform all required background investigations including criminal history investigations necessary for volunteering. Volunteers who transport program participants are also required to complete a drug screen. Volunteers working in some areas of the Zoo will be required to keep a yearly up-to-date TB test on file.

By completing this application you are authorizing any employers and listed references to give information concerning yourself, whether or not it is in their records, and you release them and their companies from any liability whatsoever.

You certify that all statements given on this application are correct, and realize that any falsification, omission of information or misrepresentation of this or any other personnel record may prevent the start of volunteer work. In the event of volunteering, you agree to abide by all present and subsequently issued rules of the Peoria Park District.

# Peoria Zoo Volunteer Application

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Type: \_\_\_\_\_

Secondary Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Type: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a Peoria Zoo Member?  Yes  No

Are you currently a student?  Yes  No

Where/Anticipated Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Highest Level of Education Completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you currently employed?  Yes  No

Where: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any condition or disability for which you may require accommodation to perform the essential functions of a task or activity?  Yes  No

If Yes, please explain \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any allergies/health concerns that may important in reference to zoo work?

(Examples: Allergies to fur, bees, or hay)  No  Yes: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you seeking to volunteer in order to satisfy court-ordered community service?

Yes  No (If yes, Peoria Zoo does not offer this type of volunteering experience, but there may be other opportunities within Peoria Park District.)

Do you have previous volunteer experience? \_\_\_No \_\_\_Yes-Please list two most recent

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_ When: \_\_\_\_\_

Task Performed: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_ When: \_\_\_\_\_

Task Performed: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have public speaking experience? \_\_\_No \_\_\_Yes, \_\_\_\_\_

Please Check if you have experience working with the following and explain how

\_\_\_Animals \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_Children \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_Teenagers \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_Adults \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about our volunteer program? \_\_\_\_\_

What interested you in volunteering? Check all that Apply

\_\_\_Gaining Work Experience

\_\_\_Giving back to your community

\_\_\_Interest in Animals

\_\_\_Learning more about possible careers

\_\_\_Interest in conservation

\_\_\_Interest in working with the public

\_\_\_Other-Explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Why do you want to volunteer at Peoria Zoo? \_\_\_\_\_

Why would you be a good Peoria Zoo Volunteer? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have an interest in a particular area of the zoo or particular a species of animal? \_\_\_\_\_

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**Some areas of volunteering at Peoria Zoo will require an up-to-date yearly TB Test**

Are you willing to provide an up-to date yearly TB Test? \_\_\_\_\_Yes \_\_\_\_\_No

Have you ever been convicted of a misdemeanor (crime involving dishonesty or violence) or a felony crime? \_\_\_\_\_Yes \_\_\_\_\_No If yes, describe: \_\_\_\_\_

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(Conviction will not necessarily be a bar to volunteering. Every instance and explanation will be considered individually.)

All regular volunteer assignments are contingent up on the successful completion of screening requirements, for example: background checks, driver abstract check and a drug screen.

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**Driver's License or State IL Number/State**

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**Date of Birth**

**Your signature authorizes the investigation of all information pertaining to the screening items as may be necessary.**

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**Signature of Volunteer**

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**Date**