



Volunteer Position Description: “No Plastic Please” Educator

Position Overview

Young people understand that plastic waste is changing their world around them and they want answers. As a “No Plastic Please” Educator, you will explain how single use plastic (SUP) impacts animals, humans and the environment, how to take simple, yet meaningful actions to prevent and reverse catastrophic outcomes, and most importantly — empower students that they can and should lead efforts to resolve the plastic problem. Our audience ranges in size from small groups to school-wide assemblies.

Purpose of the Position

- Inspire the next generation to appreciate and protect animals
- Provide students with tools to make healthy and effective change
- Demonstrate why personal responsibility with SUP is required from all of us to lessen our impact on climate change

Duties and Responsibilities

- Contact local institutions to create speaking opportunities
- Coordinating schedules with schools, universities and other institutions
- Providing an overview of expectations to teachers or leaders in advance of the presentation
- Emailing handouts to contact person to pre-print materials
- Have a reasonable level of expertise of your discussion topic
- Respect school security policies
- Ability to present yourself in a friendly, professional and non-partisan manner
- Be timely; arrive early, allow for Q&A and end on time
- Provide your own transportation
- If appropriate, collect a honorarium for HAP and provide tax forms to the institution
- Attendance at HAP general meetings (Humane Animal Rescue at 6926 Hamilton Ave, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15208) is highly encouraged
- Respond to HAP leadership emails and calls within 48 hours
- Be prepared and on-time for meetings and events
- Share and support HAP’s mission and core values; adhere to HAP’s policies
- Other duties as needed

Skills and Qualifications

- Excellent communication skills — both written and spoken
- Ability to do independent research
- Basic computer literacy
- Operate a projector



- Be familiar with power point presentation
- Conduct a ZOOM video conference
- Ability to energize and motivate students
- Self-motivated
- Ability to present yourself in a friendly, professional, and non-partisan manner
- Ability to work independently, follow instructions, and meet deadlines
- Working knowledge of Google Drive, Trello and Dropbox, or a willingness to learn

Time Commitment Required

Approximately 4-5 hours a month to allow for scheduling arrangements, preparing, travel time and lecture

Location

On-site in classrooms around Pittsburgh and via ZOOM video conferencing

Training Requirements

Training on HAP's core values, mission, and policies, including orientation on campaign missions and status.

Dress Code

Professional dress required for meetings. If attending an informal event, volunteer must purchase a HAP or NPP T-shirt at cost.

Benefits to the Volunteer

- Know that you are key to making a difference in the betterment of animals and humans by educating the next generation on the importance of protecting all sentient beings from plastic
- Take your passion for animal protection and put it into action
- Experience the joy of giving young people the skills they need and desire to be a effective advocate
- Be a valued HAP team member
- Build your volunteer resume and develop excellent communication skills

Supervisor

Brian Bonsteel, President and Founder

Natalie Ahwesh, Vice President

What Volunteers Can Expect From HAP

- Support of HAP leadership and members
- Respect and appreciation for your contribution and input