



# Dog Kennel Cleaning Assistant

## Why volunteer as a Dog Kennel Cleaning Assistant?

Do you want to make a difference in a shelter dog's life? Come assist the ARL's dedicated Animal Care staff by volunteering as a Dog Kennel Cleaning Assistant! This position requires a lot of physical activity, you will be on your feet and moving around a lot, but knowing that you are providing homeless dogs with a clean and comfortable place to rest, makes the hard work worth it!

## Duties and Responsibilities

- Provide fresh food and water for the dogs
- Sanitize, scrub, and rinse dog kennels
- Walk dogs outside for bathroom breaks
- Work alongside animal care technicians to help with animal care
- Create and provide enrichment for the dogs
- Stay up to date on current ARL processes, procedures and handling policies

## Requirements

- Must be at least 18 years of age
- Must be able to lift up to 50lbs
- Must be able to bend, squat, kneel and stand for prolonged periods of time
- Must be comfortable with being on your feet and moving around for prolonged periods of time

## Shifts

- Volunteers must sign up for shifts a minimum of 12 hours in advance
- Shift times:
  - Monday – Friday: 7-9am, 9-11am, 1-3pm, 3-5pm, 5-7pm
  - Saturday – Sunday: 7-9am, 9-11am, 11am-1pm, 1-3pm, 3-5pm

## Training

- Volunteers will sign up for a training shift, where they will receive on the job training
- Training shift times:
  - Every Wednesday from 10am-12pm

## HOW TO APPLY

**Current Volunteers:** email [volunteer@arl-iowa.org](mailto:volunteer@arl-iowa.org)

**New Volunteers:** will need to complete new volunteer onboarding process

## Skills (preferred, but not required)

- Basic dog handling skills
- Basic understanding of canine behavior