



Shelter Medicine Surgery Assistant

Purpose: Volunteers at East Bay SPCA support staff in providing great care and varied enrichment to our shelter animals! The Shelter Medicine Surgery Assistant is responsible in assisting the Shelter Medicine team before, during, and after, surgical procedures for our shelter animals.

Location: The Shelter Medicine Surgery Assistant position is available at two locations:

- **Monday** shifts are located at our Oakland Spay Neuter Clinic - 410 Hegenberger Road
- **Wednesday** shifts are located at our Theodore B. Travers Family Veterinary Clinic in Oakland - 8323 Baldwin Street
- Both locations have parking available onsite.

Key Responsibilities:

- Assist Shelter Medicine team with surgical preparation of surgical patients
- Assist with recovery of surgical patients including the extubation of patients and temperature monitoring
- Maintain, clean and sterilize instruments and packs; includes use of proper instrument handling and autoclave
- Assist in maintaining a clean and disinfected surgery and exam area
- Transport animals to/from shelter to vet clinic

Time Commitment:

- 2-hour shifts available on Mondays OR Wednesdays
- We ask each volunteer to make a six-month minimum commitment, but we hope you stay longer!

Training & Support:

- One-on-one staff training is provided by Oakland Shelter Medicine team.
- This position reports to directly to the Oakland Shelter Medicine RVT.

Requirements & Qualifications:

- At least 18 years of age
- Commit to a regular weekly shift
- Must have basic animal handling skills
- Follow all organizational protocols and policies
- Veterinary or medical background preferred
- Must be able to sit or kneel on the floor to assist with recovering patients