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Employment Summary

NZ SPCA, Wellington: November 2011 – current

SPCA Animal welfare inspectorate support - January 2020 - current

Writing education and warning letters to people who have been investigated for mistreatment of animals

Reviewing inspectors' investigation files

SPCA National Rescue Unit Rescue Technician (volunteer position) - 2015 - February 2019

Deployed to Edgecumbe Bay of Plenty New Zealand Flood disaster 2017

High angle (cliff rescue) trained and operational responder

Confined Spaces trained and operational responder

Inspector and ambulance driver 2013 - February 2019

Investigating animal cruelty complaints, both unaccompanied and with other inspectors and agencies; have lead three successful prosecutions

Responding to afterhours call-outs: this involves making difficult decisions and problem solving unsupervised

Responding to emergency calls, including high-pressure animal rescues

Handling TNR and SNAP (low cost desexing) projects

Managing Emergency Reserve volunteers

Feline and Small Animal Caregiver Team Lead - 2011-2014

Processing adoption applications

Maintaining disease control protocols

Monitoring cats' physical, health and behavioural needs

Animal and customer service team member – 2011- 2014

Practising managed entry policy

Caring for hospitalised animals and assisting vet with evening duties

Marlborough SPCA: June 2010-January 2011

Volunteer

Feeding cats and dogs Cleaning enclosures Bathing and exercising dogs

Education Summary

Otago Polytechnic: 2016 - 2018

Distance Learning - Veterinary Nurse Assistant

Strengthened knowledge gained from my employment at the Wellington SPCA Continued to grow my knowledge base with a particular interest in surgical assistance and diagnostics

Rescue 3 International NZ: 2017

Wellington, NZ

Swift Water Technician level 1 Animal Rescue Technician level 2

Unitec: 2012

Distance Learning - Certificate in Animal Welfare Investigations

I attained this certificate with high grades, giving me the skills and knowledge needed to be a successful Animal Welfare Inspector.

Nelson Marlborough Institute of Technology, Blenheim, NZ: 2010

Certificate in Business Administration Level 4

I have learned practical and transferable skills needed for any business setting. I learned how to use many different programs at an advanced level, including MYOB, Outlook, Word and Excel. I also gained invaluable time management skills.

Aukland University of Technology: 2009 – 2010

Distance Learning - Certificate in Medical Terminology

I learned how to read and translate medical notes written by doctors and nurses.

These translations are comparable to those which veterinarians use.