

GREAT PARKS OF HAMILTON COUNTY VOLUNTEER POSITION DESCRIPTION

POSITION TITLE: Unpaid Therapeutic Horsemanship Intern

DEPARTMENT: Winton Woods Riding Center

LOCATION: 10073 Daly Rd., Cincinnati, OH 45231

REPORTS TO: WWRC Staff & Volunteer Services

JOB DESCRIPTION: This internship provides an overview of therapeutic riding and its application to other-abled riders. It will allow interns to gain hands-on experience with equine-assisted therapy and interacting with special needs riders. WWRC is home to the Special Riders Program (SRP) therapeutic riding program, Special Olympics OH athletes, and a selection of private students with a variety of goals and backgrounds. Interns will be introduced to the roles of side walker, leader, volunteer coordinator, instructor, and involved in the developing of SRP/SO lesson plans. They will get the opportunity to observe special needs lesson instruction in which interactive games and techniques are used. The WWRC also has a mechanical horse to be used indoors, in all weathers, as a teaching tool for SRP/SO riders.

SKILLS DESIRED: A basic knowledge of practical horsemanship is expected.

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS: While performing duties for this position, the intern frequently stands, walks and uses their hands. Intern frequently lifts or exerts force on items with varying weights.

EQUIPMENT OPERATED: Utility Carts

WORKING CONDITIONS: Normal working conditions, but with regular exposure to noise, dust, heat, cold, rain, snow and other inclement weather conditions.

To apply, please complete Great Parks volunteer application and send resume and cover letter to WWRC Manager Rachel Neumann at rneumann@greatparks.org.