



### Job Location

St. Augustine Humane Society  
1665 Old Moultrie Road  
St. Augustine, FL 32084

## Veterinary Technician

While training to be a Veterinary Technician, you will work within our veterinary team. Our clinic is an ASPCA Spay Neuter Alliance clinic, making it the only one of its kind in St. Johns County. Our goal is to ensure that all pets have access to quality veterinary care, regardless of their owners' financial circumstance. As a new High School graduate, you will begin as an assistant and gradually work into becoming a Vet Tech as you gain competency in each of the duties. In addition to learning general vet tech skills, you will become proficient in all aspects of surgery preparation, surgical assisting, and post-operative care. As a valued member of the veterinary team, you will also be taught various clinic administration and management skills. This position will afford you the opportunity to define a clear career path for advancement in the veterinary medical field. If you want to make a difference in the lives of pets and the people who love them, then this is the job for you! The employment outlook for vet techs is excellent. As our county continues to grow, there are more veterinarians moving to the area and the need for trained vet techs is at an all time high.

### Vet Tech Characteristics:

- Compassion: Techs must have compassion not only for animals, but for their owners.
- Attention to Detail: Techs should be good multi-taskers, as they are required to observe animals, record information with accuracy, be good listeners, take direction from the vet, and run lab work.
- Team Player: Techs often work with several other techs and must coordinate their efforts effectively.
- Good Communication Skills: Techs administrative tasks that require conversing with pet owners and medical staff.
- Physically Fit: Techs lift animals onto exam tables, carry pet carriers, manage large dogs.

### Vet Tech Duties

- Prepares treatment room for exams of animals
- Restrains animals during exams and treatment
- Administers injections, performs venipunctures
- Takes vital signs of animals
- Assists with general medical care and lab work
- Identifies parasites with microscope
- Cleans and maintains medical clinic areas
- Preps animals for surgery; Assists with surgery
- Attends to post-op recovery
- Prepares surgical instruments and drugs
- Learns anesthesia protocols and monitoring
- Serves as medical receptionist as needed
- Performs inventory of supplies
- Becomes proficient with AVImark veterinary software
- Communicates with clients about individualized pet health concerns
- Fills prescriptions and maintains patient records as directed by veterinarian
- Assists with all practice operations, including cleaning, organizing, front desk duties, pet food distribution, and more.



Kacie Majeed carrying Reece



Heather Jett recording lab work