



VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

Skiathos Cat Welfare is not a cat sanctuary or shelter. Whilst the Charity seeks land for a permanent location the cats under the charities care are based on temporary land loaned to the charity, in 2 locations.

Things may be quite different than what you are used to at home when visiting dedicated rescue centres. Skiathos Cat Welfare can be chaotic with all the sheer number of cats, all needing something.



It is not just about cuddling kittens and enjoying the sunshine; it can be mentally and physically demanding. You need to be realistic of your abilities to handle difficult and sometimes upsetting situations.

Whilst experience of a similar role is not essential, you need to be confident around animals, be prepared to learn, flexible in your approach, and wanting to make a difference

to the 100s of stray cats both in the charities care and around the Island.



Due the varied role that volunteering involves we are looking for long term volunteers, **those who can commit to 2 weeks or longer, both Summer and Winter.** The role is suitable for singles or couples. We can provide studio accommodation on a first come first served basis.

Flights:

Unfortunately, we are unable to help with the funding of flights to Skiathos, but we will cover the transfer to and from the airport.

Travelling to Skiathos depends on the time of year. There are direct flights from many countries from May-October and at other times would be via Athens or Volos.

Hours of Work (Day)

Volunteers will be required to work 7 hours a day, between the hours of 9am-6pm. There will be 2 days a week off **where possible**, these may be split into 1 full day and half days, we are a flexible team who work together your flexibility would be appreciated.



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Hours of Work (Evening)

18.30-20.30 mainly at our information kiosk talking to visitors about the charities work and would normally be only 1 or 2 evening's in every 7 but you can choose to volunteer for more if you wish, as this is a vital way to raise awareness and donations for the charity. The kiosk is only operational between May-September.

Neutering Events

If a neutering event is taking place during your visit, we ask that you could do as many hours as possible for us to achieve the best results.

Internships

We welcome applications from all students for this programme. Please get in touch.



Duties can be varied but in general and not limited to:

- Cleaning litter trays
- On and off site feeding
- Cleaning the main living areas of the cats
- Changing and washing cat bedding.
- Washing and filling water bowls which may be many times a day in the height of summer.
- Emptying the rubbish.
- Cleaning the cages of the sick cats
- Putting away deliveries.
- Stocking up the food containers.
- Bathing kittens and cleaning eyes and ears
- De-worming and de-flee treatment.
- Brushing long haired cats
- Socialising with the cats and kittens
- Bottle feeding abandoned kittens.
- Taking cats to the vets.

This is just a brief overview of Volunteering. Questions are welcome on anything to help you decide on joining the team in Skiathos.

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