



## Volunteer Position Description

Please apply by filling out the application form found on our website, [mynaturelab.org](http://mynaturelab.org). Application submission does not guarantee a volunteer position. Applicants must also complete a successful interview at My Nature Lab after application acceptance. Our program is small and the application process is competitive,

### **Position Description:**

Our Volunteer program is a fantastic opportunity for individuals to get involved in snake conservation. Our mission at My Nature Lab is to promote the conservation of reptiles and amphibians through education, as it has often been said that the key to successfully conserving the world's species is through fostering a love of them through learning. Our purpose is to help develop a deeper appreciation of the natural world while at the same time offering participants the opportunity to gain experience working around animals. My Nature Lab is the perfect place to develop new skills and knowledge and become further involved in Conservation.

Volunteers at My Nature Lab are responsible for assisting with all aspects of the lab. Tasks include, but are not limited to:

- Cleaning the Lab: My Nature Lab hosts homeschool and afterschool classes, camps, and Open Lab, and with many people and animals moving through the space, the Lab gets dirty quickly. Volunteers must be ready and able to sweep, mop, clean bathrooms, and more, including identifying and cleaning messes without direct supervision.
- Education: education based tasks include shadowing and assisting in programs, helping to prepare for programs (cutting out craft materials, helping setting up the classroom, checking kids in for class), and assisting in our Open Lab setting.
- General Administration: general admin tasks include checking guests in at the front desk, selling memberships, brainstorming social media posts, and assisting with any additional as needed tasks as needed.

Volunteers at My Nature Lab are not expected or allowed to enter animal enclosures without the presence of a trained staff member.

Tasks may vary from week to week, depending on what is going on at the lab and what we need help with. Flexibility and willingness to take on a variety of tasks is required of our volunteers due to the ever-evolving nature of the Lab.

Volunteers may be supervised by any My Nature Lab staff member. Questions about the volunteer program can be directed to [info@mynaturelab.org](mailto:info@mynaturelab.org).

Volunteer t-shirts are available for \$25. Volunteers are also eligible for a discounted \$75 individual membership, which includes unlimited visits to Open Lab outside of volunteer hours for one person.

### **Commitment Requirements:**

Completion of volunteer hours takes place at My Nature Lab (1100 Pine St.) in Louisville, Colorado. Volunteers at My Nature Lab are required to volunteer for a minimum of 7 hours per month.

Prior to starting, volunteers must attend an orientation session with a My Nature Lab staff member. Orientation may take place several weeks after your volunteer application has been approved in order to train multiple volunteers at once. Volunteers may be offered (but are not guaranteed) a spot in the volunteer program in consecutive months depending on volunteer performance, task availability, and availability of other volunteers.

### **Qualifications:**

- Must be aged 16+
- Self-starter
- Strong work ethic
- Positive attitude
- Willingness to learn
- Flexibility
- Responsible