

Position Title: Big Cat Sanctuary Internship

Location: Safe Haven Wildlife Sanctuary
9605 HWY 400, Imlay, NV 89418

Start date: March 10 or April 8

Hours per week: 40

Salary: \$1200 per month and free housing

Education required: Some Undergraduate

Website: <https://www.safehavenwildlife.com/>

Description:

Safe Haven Wildlife Sanctuary is currently interviewing for a six-month animal keeper internship position. Safe Haven provides lifelong care to surrendered and confiscated exotics including tigers, African lions, bears, mountain lions, and small wild felids including bobcats, caracals, African servals and native Nevada wildlife. Most recently, Safe Haven has been working with the Cheetah Foundation, providing homes for those “retired” from the Species Survival Plans. Interns will gain extensive experience and skills necessary to pursue paid animal care positions.

Safe Haven is accredited by GFAS, the Global Federation of Animal Sanctuaries, meeting over 500 animal care recommendations.

Responsibilities:

Provide daily animal husbandry, medications, species-specific diets, and supplementations.

Daily animal feedings.

Habitat and den cleaning.

Assists in safe capture procedures.

Participates in emergency training and evacuation drills.

Provide animal enrichment.

Provide informal educational tours to the public.

Assist with landscaping and habitat/platform maintenance (often with the use of power tools).

Assists with seasonal projects including hanging shade cloth, cleaning pools, caulking dens, weeding, etc.

Requirements:

Must be 18 years or older.

Prefer students working toward a degree in animal science, zoology, biology, and environmental sciences.

Self-motivated and hard-working.

Professional attitude and ability to work with other interns and staff.

Must be comfortable with interacting with the public.

Able to lift 50 pounds and work in inclement weather.

Must adhere to safety protocols and no-contact policy.

Must have own vehicle and valid driver's license.

Education and Pre-Requisites

H.S. Diploma or GED equivalent.

Compensation and Benefits

Interns are provided free onsite housing and a \$1,200.00 per month stipend.

To Apply:

Applicants can submit a cover letter, resume, and two letters of recommendation to:

Courtney Bylsma, Lead Keeper

courtneybylsma@gmail.com (preferred contact method)