



# Volunteer Application

For young people 15 and Older  
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Busch Wildlife Sanctuary  
at Loxahatchee River District  
2500 Jupiter Park Drive  
Jupiter, FL 33458  
(561) 575-3399  
buschwildlife.com

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (home) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Contact Numbers: (cell, work, etc) \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Phone Number(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Why are you interested in volunteering at the Sanctuary? \_\_\_\_\_

What do you feel you can contribute to the Sanctuary by volunteering your time?  
(Please list any special interests, experiences, or skills you have to offer.) \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any physical limitations that we need to be aware of?  
(Please include things such as back problems, allergies, special medications, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

Is your volunteer work being required by another organization or school?  Yes  No

If so, please tell us what organization: \_\_\_\_\_ # of hours needed: \_\_\_\_\_ By what date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Volunteers must be members of the Busch Wildlife Sanctuary and will be required to complete orientation classes and training. Volunteers will also be required to purchase a Sanctuary Volunteer T-shirt for \$10 each.**

**Please check the areas in which you are interested in volunteering your time:**

- Animal Care (feeding, cleaning, rehabilitation)
- Animal Rescue & Patient Transport
- Cage and Exhibit Construction
- Education (programs, lectures, tours)
- Horticulture (gardening, landscape)
- Office Assistant (data entry, clerical, writing, newsletter)
- Displays & Exhibits (booths at fairs, festivals, community events)
- Fund-raising and Special Events
- Gift Shop
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Please check times available:**

- Monday \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_
- Tuesday \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_
- Wednesday \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_
- Thursday \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_
- Friday \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_
- Saturday \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_
- Sunday \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_



## Risk Factors

Volunteering at the Busch Wildlife Sanctuary can be a very rewarding experience. Volunteers will have the opportunity to meet other people with similar interests, learn about nature and wildlife, help injured animals, and assist the Sanctuary in teaching visitors about Florida's natural resources.

Even though many safety features have been installed in the animal enclosures, working with wild animals can be dangerous. The Sanctuary's staff will do their best to help volunteers learn about working with these types of animals. However, because volunteers often work in close proximity to live animals there is always the potential to be injured, bitten or scratched. Simply being aware of this fact, using common sense, taking proper care as you work, and asking staff for assistance when you have a question will go a long way towards preventing any injuries.

Although most of the permanent residences at the Sanctuary have received vaccinations, the injured animal patients that are brought in for care have not. By volunteering to work at the Busch Wildlife Sanctuary, you must understand that you are accepting certain risks. It is impossible for the Sanctuary to guarantee your safety while you are volunteering your time. We welcome volunteers to donate their time, but they must do so at their own risk!

Volunteers must sign the Certification and the Waiver and Release below before they can begin volunteering their time. Parental signature is also required if the volunteer is under 18 years of age.

## Certification

I certify that I have read and understand the application and that the answers and statements given by me are complete and true to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that any false information, omissions or misrepresentations of facts called for in the application may result in rejection of my application or dismissal at any time. I authorize the company, and/or its agents, including consumer reporting bureaus, to verify any of this information including, but not limited to, criminal history and motor vehicle driving records. I release all persons, schools, companies and law enforcement authorities from any liability for any damage whatsoever for issuing this information. I understand that the use of illegal drugs is prohibited. If company policy requires, I am willing to submit to drug testing to detect the use of illegal drugs.

## Waiver and Release

I wish to volunteer for the Busch Wildlife Sanctuary. I understand that in volunteering for Busch Wildlife Sanctuary there are risks involved in working with wild animals. I am also aware that accidents may occur during my volunteer work and that I may be seriously injured or even killed as a result. I am volunteering with knowledge of the dangers involved, and I agree to accept any and all risks of injury and/or death.

I agree to hold harmless the Busch Wildlife Sanctuary, the Loxahatchee River Environmental Control District as well as their directors, officers, agents, employees, and members, who through negligence or carelessness, might otherwise be liable to me.

I understand and agree that this Waiver and Release is binding on my heirs, assigns and legal representatives.

I have carefully read the Risk Factors, Certification, and the Waiver and Release listed above and fully understand their contents. I am aware that this is a release of liability and I have signed it of my own free will.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parental Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

***If you have any questions, please contact the Sanctuary office at: (561) 575-3399***

***Please send your completed application to:  
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