

Role Description

Nutrition Volunteer

Cluster	Department of Planning, Industry & Environment
Agency	Taronga Conservation Society Australia
Location	Taronga Zoo, Sydney
Kind of Employment	Volunteer
Time Commitment	1 day per week or 1 day per fortnight (minimum 12 months)
Training Required	Volunteer Induction, eLearning
Date of Approval	Feb 2023
Agency Website	taronga.org.au

Agency overview

Taronga Conservation Society Australia (Taronga) forms part of the **Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE)** Cluster and the Energy, Environment and Science Group. It is established under NSW Government legislation and is governed by a Board appointed by the NSW Minister for Energy and Environment. Taronga's vision is to create a shared future for wildlife and people. Through its efforts Taronga protects endangered species, increases understanding of wildlife and inspires community action.

Primary purpose of the Taronga Volunteer Roles

Taronga volunteers support the Taronga Conservation Society to achieve their vision of Securing a Shared Future for Wildlife and People.

Primary purpose of the role

Nutrition Volunteer will assist Nutrition Officers in preparation of foodstuff, following and implementing basic recipes, cleaning and dishwashing duties. May assist in Feeding Behaviour studies, observing and recording feeding activities.

Key accountabilities

- Assist with unloading and storage of food delivered to the Food Preparation Unit
- Assist with the preparation of food for the animal collection
- Assist with cleaning and general maintenance of the Food Preparation unit

Key challenges

- Storage of food following specific procedures
- Following guidelines to prepare food
- Maintaining accuracy and motivation with repetitive tasks

Key relationships

Who	Why
Internal	
Nutrition Officers, Keepers, Drivers and Purchasing	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To provide support to staff
External	
Suppliers, Couriers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Provide support to staff and represent Taronga in a positive light
Taronga Guests	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Represent Taronga in a positive light, assist with wayfinding and general enquiries to the best of your ability

Role dimensions

Decision making

This position works under close supervision and all decision making will be by the Supervisor on shift

Reporting line

This position reports to Supervisor of the Nutrition Centre

Direct reports

N/A

Budget/Expenditure

N/A

Essential requirements

- Show commitment, punctuality, reliability, and a professional, friendly manner
- Demonstrated skills in food preparation and an interest in learning about animal diets
- Excellent communication skills and attention to detail
- Be able to maintain accuracy and motivation with repetitive tasks
- Experience in food preparation an asset
- Enjoy working with people and the ability to work effectively within a diverse team environment
- **Please note:** this role will have no animal contact