

Role Description

Nutrition Volunteer

Cluster/Agency	Climate Change, Energy, the Environment & Water
Department/Agency	Office of Environment and Heritage
Division/Branch/Unit	Taronga Conservation Society Australia
Location	Taronga Zoo
Kind of Employment	Volunteer
Time Commitment	7am-2pm - 1 day/week or 1 day/fortnight (minimum 12 months)
Training Required	Volunteer Induction, eLearning
Date of Approval	July 2025
Agency Website	taronga.org.au

Department/Agency overview

The Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW) brings together the functions from the former Planning and Environment, and Industry Clusters, including the Office of Environment and Heritage. Taronga Conservation Society Australia (Taronga) forms part of the DCCEEW in The Environment and Heritage Group. Taronga's vision is to create a shared future for wildlife and people. Through our efforts we protect endangered species, increase understanding of wildlife and inspire 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 Intake and 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	• To provide support to staff

Who	Why
External	
Suppliers, Couriers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide support to staff

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

- Demonstrated skills in food preparation
- Excellent communication skills and attention to detail
- Ability to work effectively within a diverse team environment