

Career Opportunity

Executive Director of the Farm Animal Care Coalition of Tennessee (FACCT)

FACCT has been organized to represent agriculture with a factual, proactive voice and serve as a resource regarding humane animal care and well-being issues and best management practices.

This is a coalition of numerous commodity organizations representing groups such as beef, dairy, sheep, horse, poultry, goat and soybean producers as well as organizations such as Tennessee Farm Bureau, Tennessee Farmer's Cooperative, Farm Credit Services, Middle Tennessee State University and the University of Tennessee Extension.

FACCT is a new organization which is proud to announce that adequate funding has been secured to begin the search for an Executive Director.

Position Description

The Executive Director will be responsible to the FACCT Board of Directors and will be expected to thoroughly understand and implement the goals of this organization which will include:

- Working with coalition members to develop educational programming related to animal care and welfare as well as advocating for a safe and abundant food supply;
- Being a strong spokesperson for animal agriculture, with a good grasp of effective public relations techniques, demonstrated people skills and a history of implementing effective programs;
- Building a network of people in each county, typically including Sheriffs, Extension agents, Tennessee Department of Agriculture representatives, Veterinarians, local humane organizations, Farm Bureau representatives and others who will be needed to implement crisis management and educational programming;
- Developing a program that will quickly, efficiently and effectively operate when crisis situations involving farm animals occur;
- Raising funds via membership, donations, sponsors and other means to allow the organization to thrive and implement programming; and,
- Other duties as assigned by the Board of Directors.
- The person holding this position must live in Tennessee.

Requirements

- A bachelor's or master's degree, preferably in an agricultural discipline;
- Prefer experience in a position that allows the individual to demonstrate success in a majority of the items described in the Position Description;
- Proficiency in written and oral skills;
- Computer skills necessary for accomplishing position responsibilities;
- Upbeat attitude with an enthusiastic and outgoing personality;
- Ability to self-motivate and work without supervision;
- Must be a resident of Tennessee;
- Names and contact information of at least 3 and no more than 5 individuals, not related to the applicant, who can serve as a reference.

To Apply

Submit the following in electronic format:

- A cover letter describing why you think you are qualified for this position;
- A detailed resume; and,
- References

To:

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For More Information

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The position will be open until August 31, 2011, or until it is filled.