Position	Life Support Specialist
Facility	San Antonio Zoo
Location	San Antonio, TX
Job Summary	The San Antonio Zoo is seeking a full-time Life Support Specialist to join the Zoo's Aquarium Department. The successful applicant will work in a rewarding team atmosphere with current LSS staff under the direction of the Zoo's Aquarium Manager. Responsibilities will include the daily monitoring of life support conditions and preventative maintenance of all water and filtration systems within animal and public areas including exhibits, features, and human swim zones. There will be opportunities for cross-training in the Aquarium with animal care responsibilities, and be involved in exhibit and system design and implementation. The successful candidate will work side by side in support and relief of the Senior Life Support Specialist. Candidates must be able to work weekends, holidays, and potentially evenings as needed, and must be team orientated and solution minded. Candidates must be able to work in a variety of weather conditions consistent with the south Texas climate.
Essential Functions	-Daily operation of water distribution systems, water chemistry monitoring (testing/logging), and repair/maintenance of mechanical systems as necessary -Perform installation, preventative maintenance, and repair tasks on aquatic LSS and related aquatic components -Assist with repairs, installation, and maintenance of life support controls and monitoring systems to ensure proper operation and to prevent equipment failure -Daily operation/maintenance of ozone generators, compressors, and associated peripheral equipment -Pump maintenance and repair - High rate sand filter operation and maintenance -Maintain and operate ozone generator system -Maintain water quality logs and follow scheduled water quality testing and LSS maintenance -Assist in design and creation of new or improved water features -Receive and maintain Certified Pool Operator (CPO) certification -Maintain and inspect back flows
Other Duties and Responsibilities	
Knowledge, Skills and Abilities	• Ability to work weekends, holidays and occasional after-hour assignments. • Able to understand, foresee, and apply necessary safety precautions applicable to the Zoo environment. • Knowledge of various types of filtration systems, pumps, ozone generators, and boilers. • Ability to tolerate odors, heat and high humidity as well as able to perform work tasks while bending, standing, kneeling, squatting, lifting, twisting, reaching, or sitting and working in confined spaces. • Ability to work independently as well as maintain professional and efficient working relationships within other departments. • Ability to use common tools and equipment of the trade. • Ability to read, write and understand English. • Valid driver's license. • High School graduate or GED certificate. • Able to obtain backflow license and CPO certification (certified pool operator) within six months of employment. • Six months experience in the operation and maintenance repair of pumps, filters and motors for aquatic life support systems. • Experience with water quality

	testing. • Two years experience in plumbing work. High plumbing aptitude may be substituted for experience.
Education & Experienced Required	High school/GED minimum; associate or bachelor degree preferred. Any related experience is preferred.
Licenses and Certifications Required	Will be required to earn Certified Pool Operator (CPO) certification.
Physical Requirements	
Working Conditions	It gets hot in south Texas!
Salary	\$34,070.40/annually; full benefit package options with accrual of vacation, sick, holiday, and personal time
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