

Job Title: Captain, Inshore

Organization: Skeleton Crew Adventures 501(c)3

Location: Houston, Tx (HQ)

Position Type: Volunteer

Reports To: Director of Operations, Inshore

About Skeleton Crew Adventures:

Skeleton Crew Adventures is a non-profit organization dedicated to providing veterans and first responders, living with Post Traumatic Stress, the opportunity to heal at sea using research-driven methods of learning to live with trauma through adventure therapy (AT).

Position Summary:

As an Inshore Sailing Captain with Skeleton Crew Adventures, you will play a pivotal role in delivering transformative sailing experiences to veterans and first responders in the Galveston Bay area. This volunteer position is perfect for those who have a passion for sailing, teaching, and giving back to a community of individuals who have dedicated their lives to serving others. Your role will involve guiding small groups through the basics of sailing, sharing your knowledge and passion for the sea, and creating a supportive and empowering environment for healing and growth.

Key Responsibilities:

1. Sailing Instruction and Leadership:

- Navigate sailing vessels safely in Clear Lake and Galveston Bay, providing a secure and supportive environment for all participants.
- Share basic sailing fundamentals and terminology engagingly and accessible, tailored to participants with diverse backgrounds and experiences.

2. Participant Engagement and Support:

- Create a positive and encouraging atmosphere that promotes learning, teamwork, and camaraderie among veterans and first responders.
- Demonstrate flexibility and adaptability, accommodating varying levels of sailing experience and comfort among participants.

3. Safety and Operational Management:

- Ensure all sailing activities comply with USCG regulations and safety standards, prioritizing the well-being of participants and volunteers.

- Coordinate with the Director of Operations, Inshore and other volunteers to schedule and plan sailing sessions, ensuring smooth operation and effective communication.

4. Community and Mission Advocacy:

- Act as a compassionate and understanding representative of Skeleton Crew Adventures, fostering a strong sense of community and support among participants.
- Advocate for the therapeutic benefits of sailing and the mission of Skeleton Crew Adventures within the greater Houston area and beyond.

Qualifications:

1. Licensing and Experience:

- Must hold a current USCG Captain's License with a sailing endorsement.
- Prior experience navigating Clear Lake and Galveston Bay, with a passion for teaching and sharing the joy of sailing.

2. Personal Attributes:

- Must be a veteran and/or first responder with a commitment to supporting peers through adventure therapeutic experiences.
- Outgoing, approachable personality with excellent communication skills and a genuine enthusiasm for engaging with participants.

3. Commitment and Flexibility:

- Willingness to volunteer for sailing sessions every other weekend (Saturday or Sunday), with an understanding that flexibility in scheduling is appreciated and that the organization values any contribution, regardless of frequency.
- High level of responsibility, reliability, and dedication to the mission of Skeleton Crew Adventures.

How to Apply:

Interested candidates are invited to submit their resume, cover letter, and references to samantha@skeletoncrewadventures.org

Skeleton Crew Adventures is an equal opportunity employer. We encourage applications from candidates of all backgrounds and experiences who share our commitment to supporting veterans and their families.