



Volunteer Application

Knox County Humane Society
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The mission of Knox County Humane Society is to engage the hearts, hands and minds of the community to help animals. Thanks for your interest in joining us in these efforts. Please complete this application form if you are interested in becoming a volunteer.

Name: _____ Preferred Nickname: _____

Street address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home phone: _____ Cell phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Employer name/School name: _____

Emergency Contact, relation and phone number: _____

How did you hear about volunteering? _____

How comfortable are you around animals, especially cats? _____

Do you have any special talents that you would be willing to share with us (painting, arts, writing, social media, computer skills, website design, handyman skills, etc)? _____

Specify days/hours you are available to volunteer: _____

Please let us know of any health or physical limitations that might affect your ability to perform certain duties as an KCHS volunteer: _____

Please select the area in which you prefer to volunteer.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Cat Socialization | <input type="checkbox"/> Fundraisers | <input type="checkbox"/> Special Events |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Foster Care | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Booths | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bingo | <input type="checkbox"/> Grant Writing | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Landscaping/Lawn Maintenance | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Relations/Advertising | |

Volunteer Requirements

Working as a volunteer at the Knox County Humane Society can be incredibly rewarding and meaningful. Watching adopted cats go home with their new families will make your day. Volunteering in a shelter can also be emotionally challenging, as some animals who are sick or dangerous have to be euthanized. We expect you to handle the animals calmly and compassionately and report to us honestly and completely about their wellbeing while you are volunteering with us. Thus, we established basic requirements for all volunteers.

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Please check each box to agree with all of the following requirements*:

- Volunteer Requirements:
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Age 16 or older | <input type="checkbox"/> Can fulfill the role independently | <input type="checkbox"/> Can handle stressful situations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Can read and comprehend protocols | <input type="checkbox"/> Can remember and follow shelter rules | <input type="checkbox"/> Can take and follow directions |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Considerate to people and compassionate to animals | <input type="checkbox"/> Understands and accepts KCHS mission | <input type="checkbox"/> Understand that you will work with people too |

*Due to the nature of the work at Knox County Humane Society, with limited resources and often confined physical space, we are unable to accept volunteering groups. Each volunteer at Animal Humane Society must go through the volunteer application process individually and be able to independently fulfill the responsibilities of their role.

Membership

Interested in becoming even more involved? Ask us about becoming a member! Benefits include voting privileges and a monthly newsletter packed with info about the shelter. Memberships start at \$20/year.

Volunteer Agreement

I understand and agree that submitting this application form does not guarantee placement in the volunteer program. I understand there are requirements I must meet before I am accepted into the volunteer program. You will come in for a meeting with our volunteer coordinator to see which area would fit you best. You will be placed on our volunteer waiting list and we will call you as needed for scheduled shifts.

I assume the risk of being bitten, scratched and/or injured by cats, kittens or any other animal in the care of the Knox County Humane Society (KCHS) in connection with my volunteer work for KCHS. The Knox County Humane Society is not liable to me for any injuries, damage, liabilities, losses, judgments, costs and/or expenses whatsoever which I might suffer or sustain in connection with the performance of my volunteer activities for KCHS unless they are the result of the Knox County Humane Society's gross negligence or intentional misconduct. I agree to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Knox County Humane Society, any of the officers, employees or agents of said corporate entity from any and all liability arising out of the performance of my volunteer duties. I understand that any intentional misconduct or grossly negligent performance of my volunteer activities or my breach of any of the Knox County Humane Society's rules, regulations, policies or mission will result in my immediate termination as a volunteer.

I attest that the information I have provided is accurate and true and I have read and understand this information.

Volunteer Signature: _____ Date: _____

Volunteer Printed Name: _____

If under 18 years old – complete below:

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Printed Name: _____