

VOLUNTEER NEWSLETTER

June 7, 2022

THANK YOU FOR VOLUNTEERING

WELCOME!

Greetings to new Cat Cuddler Sam (top) and Small Animal Cuddler Melissa (bottom)!



ANIMAL COUNTS

As of June 7 2022

Total Number of Animals: 267
Adoptions Last Week: 20

Dogs:

Total Canine Count: 63
Pending Adoption: 6
Available for Adoption: 25

Cats

Total Feline Count: 175
Pending Adoption: 9
Available for Adoption: 53

Small Animals

Total Ferret Count: 1
Total Rabbit Count: 9
Total Guinea Pig Count: 7

Animals are typically categorized as unavailable for adoption for the following reasons:

- They are new to the shelter and undergoing medical procedures, health evaluations, behavioral evaluations, or need some time to decompress.
- They are undergoing a mandatory hold
- They are a SafePet animal seeking refuge in our shelter
- They are protective custody animal cruelty investigation. These dogs are technically not our dogs to adopt out. We are going through the legal system to have the current owner or the court to sign the pet over to us.
- They are pending adoption.
- They are too young for adoption.

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

The York County SPCA will be hosting the first work day of our Beautification Committee. Join us on Monday, June 13th from 9AM-12PM to do some much-needed weeding. If you would like to join the Beautification Committee, please reach out to Volunteer Coordinator Bekah Smith at bsmith@ycspca.org. Help us make sure our facilities put their best foot forward while welcoming people and animals to the shelter!



FEELING HOT! HOT! HOT!

It is that time of year where we are experiencing high temperatures and the heat can quickly become an issue for both humans and animals. We wanted to remind you of some ways to stay cool and safe here at the shelter.

Water Coolers - There are water coolers located in the shelter gift shop at the front lobby and in the clinic. We encourage everyone to use refillable water bottles and things of that sort so you can keep filling them throughout the day. There are plastic cups available if needed.

Water Fridge - There are often drinks available for volunteers in the laundry room. Also, there is a fridge filled with water bottles also located in the shelter gift shop. Keep in mind these cost \$1.

Breaks - Take frequent breaks when handling animals outside, whether it be walking them or doing a meet. Make sure to utilize shaded areas on the property such as the bench near the brick sidewalk, the gazebo, the gravel runs, or really anywhere you can find that may give you a break from the sun.

Be Aware - Take care of yourself! If you are feeling too hot; stop and cool down. If you need assistance in getting water or other resources, reach out to coworkers or a manager. Do not push it.

Your safety and wellbeing is of the utmost importance to us, and we cannot help the animals if we do not take care of ourselves as well!

Stay hydrated and stay safe!

CALLING ALL CAT LOVERS!

We need feline foster caregivers for cats of all ages, especially kittens. When you foster with the YCSPCA, you are saving lives not only of the cat(s) you welcome into your home, but also, by opening space in the shelter, you are saving the life of another cat in need. The shelter is here to support you on your lifesaving journey of fostering by making sure you are confident and set up for success. We offer online training, a private Facebook support group to ask fellow fosters or the foster coordinator questions, and we supply all items needed for care, from food and litter to vet visits. So, if you have warm bed and an open heart, please consider becoming a cat foster parent today. Learn more [here](#).



UPCOMING HOLIDAYS

June 8: National Best Friends Day

June 14: World Pet Memorial Day

VOLUNTEER STORIES

We need your stories! Why do you volunteer? How did you get started and what keeps you going? What have been some of your most rewarding moments with the York County SPCA? Just like our animals, every volunteer has a story to tell. We want to hear yours!

Please send stories to Volunteer Coordinator Bekah Smith at bsmith@ycspca.org.



MEET GLENN!

Glenn's favorite activities include: meeting new people, hanging out with his favorite people, playing with toys and exploring the hiking trails. Found as a stray, this black and white speckled guy is looking for a home that will love him unconditionally. Estimated to be around a year old, Glenn's ideal family will be committed to daily exercise and consistent, positive reinforcement training to continue with this handsome lug's basic manners work.

Glenn has done well around the other dogs he has seen so far at the shelter and we do ask that all prospective homes bring their current dogs and children in for a supervised meet and greet to best ensure a good match is made. For any homes bringing in a new furry addition, we always recommend ongoing supervision and slow, safe incorporation.

Food-motivated and eager to please, Glenn will surely make a great addition to the right family. If you love adventure and would like a furry sidekick to join you - Glenn may just be the guy for you! For more information on how to adopt, just go to: www.ycspca.org



LOOKING FOR NEW WAYS TO BE INVOLVED?

If you see an opportunity you are interested in, please email
Bekah Smith at bsmith@ycspca.org for more details.

CLINIC

The clinic is looking for help during the following times. We do ask the volunteers helping in the clinic commit to a weekly shift.

Registration (Tues and/or Thurs 7am-9am):

Help in the morning with the registration process.

End of the Day Help (Mon, Tues, and/or Wednesday 2pm-4pm):

Help at the end of the day with cleaning surgical equipment, laundry, cleaning cages, and other operational tasks as needed.

DOG WALKING

Volunteers are needed to walk all of the dogs in our kennel each day. Walking provides the dog with the exercise, socialization, and outdoor time that they need. A dog walker's commitment to and impact on our animals well-being is invaluable. This is a strenuous, but necessary, role.

KENNEL GREETING

We are looking for Volunteers who can manage the flow of community members touring the kennel during public hours. This is a great position for someone who is not comfortable standing or walking for long periods of time.

Hours assistance is needed:

Tuesday through Thursday
from 10:30AM until 12:30PM