



of York County
A New Leash on Life

VOLUNTEER NEWSLETTER

December 8, 2021

THANK YOU FOR VOLUNTEERING

CLINIC VOLUNTEERS

Thank you to Teleyah and Vera for completing their volunteer orientation to help in the clinic! We are excited to have your help!



CANINE ENRICHMENT VOLUNTEERS

Thank you to Natali, Lisa, Kristie, and Adrienne for becoming Canine Enrichment Volunteers. We look forward to seeing them soon!



ANIMAL COUNTS as of December 6, 2021

Total Number of Animals: 265
Adoptions last week: 29

Dogs

Total Canine Count: 75
Pending Adoption: 4
Available for Adoption: 17
In Foster: 12

Cats

Total Feline Count: 161
Pending Adoptions: 2
Available for Adoption: 87
In Foster: 37

Rabbits

Total Rabbit Count: 16
Pending Adoption: 2
Available for Adoption: 12
In Foster: 7

Guinea Pigs: 4

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 due to the result of an 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

PHOTOS WITH SANTA

Saturday, December 11th, 10am-2pm
York County SPCA
(3159 Susquehanna Trail, York, PA 17406)

Come visit with your pet or join us by volunteering.

If you are interested in volunteering, we could use help from 1-2 more people if you are available to help this Saturday! It is a fun event to see all the families and pets come in for their photos with Santa. [SIGN UP HERE](#)

You may even see a few pets who were adopted from the shelter!

If you come with your pet, we will love to see you there! There is no cost to get your photos taken, and all photos will be printed on the spot.



SPRUCED UP

Vote to help win \$3,000 for the animals in our shelter!

Shipley Energy has generously sponsored and decorated a tree on behalf of the York County SPCA for this year's Spruce'd Up! A Celebration of Trees event. They even hung handmade ornaments showing off our adoptable shelter pets. You can help us win the \$3,000 prize by voting for the Shipley Energy + York County SPCA tree at People's Bank Park on Brooks Robinson Way (also known as the Revs stadium).

As of Monday 12/6, our tree was in 6th place! We are only 20 votes behind the company that holds 1st place so get out there and vote to put us in 1st place!!

The event runs from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. every Friday, Saturday, and Sunday from Black Friday through December 19. It features dozens of decorated trees honoring local businesses and organizations as well as a holiday shopping market. See more details here:

<https://www.traditions.bank/event/spruced-up/>

Thanks for voting!

DOGS DAY OUT AT STRATHMEYER

We will be bringing adoptable dogs over to the Strathmeyer Tree Lot for their Photos with Santa Event on Dec 18. However, if you are not available that day, we would love for you to schedule your own Dogs Day Out in December to visit the Strathmeyer Tree Farm!

We are always looking for new places to bring dogs during their Dogs Day Out and Strathmeyer says they would love to have us!

Dogs Day Out is a time for the dogs to get out of the shelter for a few hours and enjoy your attention. This is also a great opportunity to encourage their adoption. You do have to be a current dog walker to take a dog for a Dogs Day Out. If this is your first time taking a dog out, please email me first, so I can review all of our policies.



DECEMBER HOLIDAY HOURS

Dec 22

we will only have Dog Walking available from 10am-3pm.

Dec 24 and 31

we will only have volunteer hours until 2pm.

Dec 25

we will only have volunteer hours available for Dog Walkers and Cattery Volunteers from 8am-10am.

Dec 24-Jan 2

The Clinic will be closed

Volunteers at Petco and Pet Smart please be aware of signs posted at the store for any hour changes.



The poster features a large, decorated Christmas tree in a snowy landscape. The text "Spruce'd Up!" is written in a large, stylized font, with "A Celebration of Trees" below it. A sign in front of the tree says "Shipley Energy CAST YOUR VOTE". At the bottom, it says "VOTE FOR OUR TREE!" and "All ornaments on our tree are animals that are currently up for adoption. Simply take the ornament of a pet you're interested in, then contact our friends at the York County SPCA!". Below this, it says "Cast Your Vote at People's Bank Park November 27 through December 20". The logos for Shipley Energy and York County SPCA are at the bottom.

IN MEMORY OF KAY KELLY

We want to take a moment to remember Kay Kelly. Many of you may remember her and the impact she made on the York County SPCA. She spent a lot of time helping at the shelter and donating her time. She will be missed by many.

Kay Kelly Obituary



ADOPTION STORY: CARL

We received an update about Carl.

From the adopter: His name is still Carl and he's been adjusting so well. I can't believe just how well in less than two weeks at home.

He is such a cuddle bug and has been loving snuggling on the couch and bed with us. He also loves walks and playing with his big doggie brother. We couldn't be more in love with Carl and feel so lucky he is part of our family !



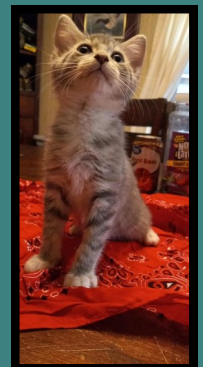
CAT AND KITTEN FOSTERING

Have you ever considered Cat or Kitten Fostering?

You can help a long term resident cat by providing a break from the shelter, or by taking in a set of kittens who need to be cared for in a home before they are old enough to adopt out. When you are a foster, all supplies needed for care are included, not just for kittens.

Fostering helps socialize cats and allows the foster parent to see their true personalities which could not completely blossom in the shelter. Foster parents are then able to provide us with valuable information and photos of the cats that help them find better homes faster.

Check out some of photos of our foster kittens.



Looking for New Ways to Be Involved?

If you see an opportunity you are interested in, please email Brandi Bisch at bbisch@ycspca.org for more details.

Event Volunteer Options

We have a few updates to the November Event Sign Up Genius.

- Pictures with Santa: Dec 11
- DDO to Strathmeyer: Dec 18

See the full details and sign up [HERE](#).

Trap Neuter Release

The Trap Neuter Release Program (TNR) is starting to look for volunteers who would be interested in helping on Thursdays and/or Friday.

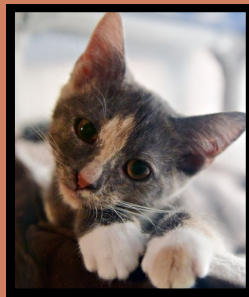
- Releasing cats after their TNR surgeries. You would drive the van with the cats back to their caretaker and release them on that property.
- Cleaning traps and vans after the release of the cats.

Clinic

The clinic is looking for help during the following times.

**Registration
(Mon, Tues, Thurs,
and/or Fri 7am-9am):**

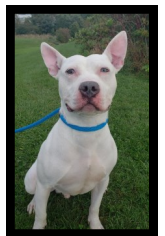
Help in the morning with the registration process.



Kennel Greeter

We are looking for Volunteers who would be interested in helping greet the public and show them around the kennels.

They would help the public to understand safety around the kennel, and explain how they can set up an appointment to visit a dog they are interested in adopting.



Satellite Sites

We are looking for volunteers who can help consistently at the satellite site at one or more of the following times.

- **Petco:**
Friday: Md-day Shift
(between 11am-3pm)





SMALL ANIMAL SUPPLIES COLLECTION

We are currently collecting paper towel and toilet paper cardboard rolls for the small animals.

With these rolls we are able to stuff their hay into a neat area where it provides a mentally stimulating activity for them.

Donations can be dropped off in a bin located in the small animal room.