

VOLUNTEER NEWSLETTER May 17, 2022

THANK YOU FOR VOLUNTEERING

WELCOME!

Thank you, Marie (right), for being a new Small Animal Cuddler!

Congratulations Big Dog Walking Graduates Angela, Karen, Kasey, and Marina (below, left to right)!





UPCOMING HOLIDAYS May 20: National Rescue Dog Day May 23: World Turtle Day



ANIMAL COUNTS

As of May 17, 2022

Total Number of Animals: 280 Adoptions Last Week: 37

Dogs:

Total Canine Count: 74 Pending Adoption: 3 Available for Adoption: 30 In Foster: 19

Cats

Total Feline Count: 158 Pending Adoption: 4 Available for Adoption: 41 In Foster: 65

Small Animals

Total Rat Count: 24 Total Rabbit Count: 10 Total Guinea Pig Count: 6

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.

DOG WALKING UPDATES

Please remember to stay away from the building while walking. No dog walkers should be walking on the side walks around the shelter. Animals are constantly entering and leaving the building from different doors. Staying near the building is unsafe. Instead, please walk on the trails.

Our amazing Facilities Technician, Adam, will be mowing every Thursday and Friday. Please give him appropriate space to complete this task.

No non-shelter personnel should be on the trails. Only dog walkers and shelter staff may be on the trails. This way, we can ensure the safety of our dogs, walkers, and staff. If you see a stranger without an animal, please alert staff so they may ask them to leave.



TRAP NEUTER RETURN (TNR) PROGRAM

Last year, our Spay/Neuter Clinic performed 9,398 spay/neuter surgeries on community cats alone through our TNR program.

TNR (Trap-Neuter-Return) is a method of spay/neuter for outdoor, free-roaming cats. Community cats rapidly reproduce, causing overpopulation, animal suffering, and high kitten mortality. Participating in TNR is the only proven way to humanely decrease the popula-tion of free-roaming community cats.

Through our TNR program at our Spay/Neuter Clinic, we offer TNR services for only \$20 per cat. This includes the spay/ neuter, rabies vaccine, and an ear tipping.

Plus, you may opt for additional services at the time of drop-off such as a distemper vaccine, Revolution (treats fleas, ear mites, lice, some GI parasites), a Droncit injection (treats tapeworms), or a test for FELV/FIV/heartworm.

We're very thankful to all the trappers and community members who utilize our TNR Program to help improve the health and wellbeing of outdoor, free-roaming cats. You are heroes for York's community cat population.



Learn more about out TNR Program here.

Learn about adoptable cat, Oreo, here.

7TH ANNUAL PUTTING FORE PAWS GOLF OUTING

It's officially Spring and that means it's time to get back out on the golf course!

Mark your calendars and join us for the 7th Annual Putting Fore Paws Golf Outing to benefit the York County SPCA. Because of you, stray and displaced animals receive the second chances at life they all deserve.

The outing will take place on Monday, June 6 at the Out Door Country Club. Go here to learn more about the event and register a team.

There's space for only two more teams, so be quick! Here's to a great day of golf!





UPDATE ON PEPPERJACK

"Pepperjack has become a fundamental part of our family. He has a window bed where he watches birds and tries to capture bugs (on the other side of the glass). He enjoys playing with his brother and gets all of the love. Thanks for helping us find the perfect addition to our family." – Christina

MEET YOYO

Long-term kennel resident YoYo has been with us since February 15, 2022, and we can't believe he hasnt been scooped-up yet by some lucky family! This handsome, super sweet guy LOVES making new friends and has done well around the other dogs he's seen so far at the shelter. Cats may be a little too enticing for this PAWsome boy though.

YoYo is quick to bond with new people and loves going for walks! Food-motivated and eager to please, YoYo will make a great addition to a loving, active, furever home.

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 strongly recommend ongoing supervision and slow, safe incorporation.

To learn more about Yoyo, go here.



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

Help in the morning with the registration process.

End of the Day Help (Mon 2pm-4pm; Tues, Wed, Thurs, and/or Fri 10AM-2PM): 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

PETCO AND PETSMART SATELLITES

2420 Eastern Blvd, York, PA 17402

The volunteers at our satellite sites truly take care of the cats. They feed them, change their water, scoop the litter, and maintain the cleanliness of the condos. They do all this while also socializing the cats with cuddles and attention. These volunteers really become a huge part of these cats' lives until they are adopted. In this role, we do ask for a weekly commitment in order to volunteer in this role. Although we do understand you may occasionally need your shift covered.

Hours Assistance is Needed at East York Petco:

Monday Morning, between 9AM and 12PM Thursday Morning, between 9AM and 12PM Monday Afternoon, between 12PM and 3PM Saturday Afternoon, between 12PM and 3PM

Hours Assistance is Needed at West York PetSmart: Tuesday Morning, between 9AM and 12PM Tuesday Evening, between 5PM and 9PM





Learn about adoptable cat, Jacob Tiger Lucas, here.