

VOLUNTEER TAILS

HELPING HANDS HUMANE SOCIETY



WORLD SPAY DAY

On Tuesday, February 22nd Mayor Michael A Padilla signed a proclamation naming February 2022 as Spay and Neuter Awareness month in Topeka, Kansas. HHHS' Grace Clinton and Emi Griess were invited by Mayor Padilla to celebrate the creation of Spay and Neuter Awareness month 2022. World Spay Day was created in 1995 by the Doris Day Animal Foundation (DDAF), and 27 years later, the issue of spaying and neutering is still paramount in animal welfare. Adoptable dogs, cats, and rabbits are spayed or neutered at HHHS before joining loving families, yet we still take in a very challenging amount of accidental and unwanted litters of puppies and kittens. Just in the last 6 months (8/22/21-2/22/22), we have taken in 544 kittens under 4 months old and 244 puppies under 4 months old, meaning there is more work to do in our community to promote spay and neuter. We are very hopeful that opening our Spay & Neuter Clinic will have a huge positive impact for those who experience barriers to getting their pets spayed and neutered.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Food Truck Night

The first Saturday in April, May and June

Foster Baby Shower

March 26th, 2022

Paws in the Park

April 23rd, 2022

VOLUNTEER WEBINAR AND PRESENTATION SERIES

Starting Saturday, March 19th at 2 pm Lindsay Roth, the behavior specialist, and Shelby Reich, the volunteer coordinator will be hosting a monthly webinar and presentation series, where they will present and teach more about animal behavior, health, and much more. In March, the topic for the month will be dog behavior and body language. You will be able to learn from experts in their fields through webinars and videos and presentations from our behavior specialist, Lindsay. These presentations are open to all volunteers and are created to help provide a more in-depth look at the animals that we serve in our community.

FINDING FUR-EVER HOMES



In February, two of our long-term dogs were able to find their forever home! Cadillac was a Pit Bull that had been at HHHS for 120 days before he finally found his family. Zeus Jr. was a Boxer Labrador mix and was at HHHS for 173 days, but he was able to find his family as well. We would like to thank our volunteers on behalf of Cadillac and Zeus Jr. for helping support and care for them during their stay at Helping Hands.



**Thank you for
volunteering with
HHHS!!!**

Think we missed something!!! Please let us know. This newsletter is meant to be for volunteers, so if you feel that we missed the mark, left something out, or if there are any other ideas, let us know.

Please forward all of your ideas and comments to Shelby Reich.

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