## OUR COMMUNITY COMMITMENT

Together, we are working to reduce the number of homeless pets while giving more a chance at a new life. To support our mission to end pet overpopulation, CHA has an on-site spay/neuter surgical suite that serves all shelter animals prior to adoption. CHA also works closely with other local organizations to help find forever homes for pets in rural shelters and those rescued from cruelty cases.



## **HOW TO HELP**

**VOLUNTEER** In-shelter opportunities like dog walking, caring for cats and adoption assistance, as well as off-site and skills-based options such as fundraising, awareness support and more are available! Visit chaanimalshelter.org/volunteer

**ADOPT** By adopting, you're not only giving a pet a home, space is opened for more animals to come. Encourage your family and friends to adopt as well.

ADVOCATE The easiest way to share your passion is by becoming a CHA Ambassador! Ambassadors receive a welcome packet with promotional materials, an annual report each January, an adoption discount, as well as exclusive CHA insights and tools to further advocate for our shelter pets. Individual ambassadorship is \$50 annually. Family, lifetime, premium and special events ambassador levels are also available. Visit chaanimalshelter.org/ambassador.

**DONATE** Whether a little or a lot, monetary or in-kind, donating goes a long way and there are many ways to contribute. Choose to donate supplies for the shelter, attend one of our events or donate funds in a loved one's honor. Purina Dog, Cat, Kitten, and Puppy Chow as well as paper towels and bleach are always in high need.







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CHA is a flexible intake shelter. Once an animal is accepted into the adoption program, we work hard to ensure they find their best permanent home fit. The following are key pieces to this formula, allowing maximum impact while making the experience as comfortable as possible for shelter pets:

Care. Animals available for adoption have been vaccinated, microchipped, spayed or neutered, and have received all other routine medical care. Dogs are tested for Heartworm disease and cats are tested for FIV and FeLV. Our Emergency Medical Fund (EMF) allows us to treat heartworm, intestinal parasites, dental disease, and perform critical care for broken bones and other injuries that require surgical repair. This allows us to save animals that might have been considered otherwise unadoptable.



Programs. The shelter staff and volunteers constantly look for ways to improve the quality of life for the animals and increase their chance for adoption. CHA dogs benefit from behavior training and toy enrichment programs. CHA has added home-like rooms for cats who have difficulty adapting to a cage and a spay/ neuter recovery room for dogs to get special care and rest after their surgery.

**Foster.** Foster homes help CHA stretch the number of animals it can accept by temporarily housing those who might be too young, too sick or too scared to be in the shelter environment.

## **ABOUT US**

Our mission has been to serve the people and animals of central Ohio by providing shelter, care and pet adoption services for abandoned and otherwise homeless dogs and cats since 1975. As a non-profit shelter, CHA is run almost exclusively by hundreds of volunteers, who give countless hours to care for our temporary residents as we seek loving and happy homes for them. CHA does not receive any type of tax or government funding. We rely heavily on contributions and successful fundraising to maintain our efforts to rescue, care for and place hundreds of animals each year.