

## Volunteering at HAS

We often get asked one basic question - How can one volunteer and what is expected out of volunteers. For the benefit of our new members and old here's how you can help us. So, who all are ready to get more actively into volunteering? 😊

### • Volunteer for Adoption Camps:

We have monthly adoption camps, and we require volunteers to help us run the show. We need help with

- o Registering
- o Counselling
- o Managing the crowd
- o Monitoring movement of animals
- o Packing
- o Photography
- o Documentation

### • Volunteer for other activities at the shelter:

We need repeat volunteers who can consistently schedule time for help at the shelter with things like:

- o Playing with/walking pups and dogs
- o Bathing/Grooming pups and dogs
- o Socializing dogs
- o Painting at the shelter
- o Photographing the animals from time to time
- o Writing for us
- o Gardening at the shelter

- **Media Activities:**

- o Website redesign
- o Newsletter design and circulation
- o Conduct donation drives and fund raisers
- o Design projects – Tee shirts etc.

- **Humane Education Program:**

From time to time we approach schools, colleges, and residential associations etc. to conduct awareness sessions about animal welfare. You can help us get contacts, deliver the sessions, develop content etc.

- **Donate:**

Humane Animal Society depends on donations for the general functioning and upkeep of the shelter, including but not limited to running expenses of the shelter, food for the animals, salary of staff etc. Below are items that can be donated:

- o Money (Cash, online transfer, cheque, DD)
- o Cat food/dog food/milk/Bread/Biscuits
- o Dog collars, leashes, cages, brushes, bowls (Used or unused), dog/cat toys, pet accessories
- o Medicines (please consult us before you buy any medicine)
- o Old blankets, newspapers, cardboard boxes
- o Old furniture – tables, chairs, book shelves etc.

- **Foster:**

If you have the time and space in your house to take care of puppies/kittens temporarily, you can foster them till such time that they are adopted. A shelter is not an ideal place for these young ones, as there are a lot of infections prevalent.

- **Adopt:**

We have many pups and dogs and kittens which require homes. Please open your hearts and homes to these creatures in need. You can also convince family and friends to adopt a pet rather than buy one.

- **Sterilization and Vaccination:**

One of the most important ways in which you can help us is by getting your neighborhood dogs sterilized and vaccinated. Our vehicle will come and catch the dogs, sterilize and vaccinate them and release them back in the original neighborhood. It'll be great if you can help identify dogs, confine them etc.

- **Create and Spread Awareness:**

There are many animal welfare related issues that are not understood, or worse, misunderstood. You can help by spreading awareness about these, like

- o Adoption of pets rather than buying
- o Adoption of Indian dogs and cats
- o Adoption of female dogs and cats
- o Importance of sterilization
- o Importance of vaccination, esp. against rabies
- o How to take care of pups and kittens