



VOLUNTEER APPLICATION

Rutherford County Animal Control Services (RCACS)
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Volunteer, Fostering or Other Questions:
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*****Only fully completed applications will be considered.**

Do you have medical insurance? Yes/No

Full Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ Apt #: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____ Email: _____

Date of Birth: _____ **Note: You must be at least 21 years old to volunteer.**

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Occupation: _____ Employer: _____

Employer's Phone: _____ Highest Level of Education Completed: _____

Emergency Contact Full Name: _____

Emergency Contact Phone Number: _____ Relationship: _____

Why are you interested in volunteering at RCACS?

Please explain any experience you have handling animals. Include any experience handling larger dogs.

Please list any special skills that you think may be useful to volunteering here.

How did you first hear about RCACS? _____

Have you ever volunteered or worked for RCACS in the past? If yes, what tasks did you perform? If yes, why did you leave? _____

Are you presently volunteering, or have you previously volunteered, for any community or charitable organization? If so, which organizations, and what were your tasks? _____

Are you volunteering to complete:

Court-ordered community service? Yes/No

Graduation requirement or school project? Yes/No

Internship? Yes/No

If yes to any, please explain. _____

Do you have any health conditions (physical, mental, or emotional) that may prevent you from performing certain tasks? If yes, please explain the condition(s), and any special accommodations you may need.

Have you ever been convicted of:

An animal abuse offense? Yes/No

A drug offense? Yes/No

If yes to any, please explain. _____

Have you ever been terminated from a volunteer or paid position? If yes, please explain.

The volunteer program was formed to assist staff in placing as many animals as possible in new homes, and providing care for them while they are housed at the shelter. Please understand that we are not a “no-kill” facility, however we work tirelessly to avoid the euthanasia of all adoptable animals that come into our facility. As a volunteer, we expect you to complement our efforts.

Please check ALL areas you are interested in volunteering in:

Animal Care Volunteer:

- Cat Enrichment (Plays, socializes, grooms, etc)
- Dog Enrichment (Walks, plays, socializes, grooms, etc)
- Scheduled Group Dog Walking Program
- Laundry
- Dishes
- Transporter (Transport animals to vets, rescues, foster parents, events, etc)
- Animal Caretaker (Assist in cleaning of animal kennels)
- Trainer (Train basic behaviors, etc)
- Play Group (Assist in our off-leash playtime for dogs)

Other:

- Painting
- Landscaping
- Other _____

Availability:

What days are you available? M___T___W___TH___F___SA___SU___

What hours are you available?

Are you interested in volunteering long term regularly or short term? _____

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All volunteer applications are reviewed by the Animal Control Services Supervisor. Selection of volunteers is based on the interests and skills of the volunteer, ability to demonstrate a commitment to the volunteer program, and current needs of the organization. Volunteers who are willing to commit to a set schedule will be given first consideration.

WAIVER

I acknowledge that by signing this application that I am assuming risks and agreeing to indemnify, not to sue and release from liability Rutherford County Government and Rutherford County Animal Control Services and its respective agents, officers and employees (hereinafter "Releasees") from any and all claims that I may have arising out of my activities as a volunteer for the Rutherford County Animal Control Services department and that I am giving up substantial legal rights. This application and waiver is a contract with legal and binding consequences and applies to all activities in which I may engage as a volunteer with the Rutherford County Animal Control Services. I have read it carefully before signing and I understand what it means and what I am agreeing to by signing. I further hereby waive, release, discharge, hold harmless and promise to indemnify and not sue the Releasees and further release, discharge and hold harmless and indemnify said Releasees from any and all rights and claims that I may have, including claims arising from Releasees' own negligence to its terms by signing.

Applicant Signature

Date

Age