



Union County Animal Services Volunteer Information



The staff at Union County Animal Services would like to thank you for your interest in volunteering with us. We are a busy shelter, we try to provide the best possible services to our animals and customers. We use volunteers on a daily basis, year round. To volunteer at the Union County Animal Shelter, you must be at least 15 years old and complete a volunteer application. Background checks are also completed on all applicants.

Volunteer jobs include assisting in the adoption office, animal interactions, exercising and socializing animals, basic obedience training, bathing and grooming animals, cleaning and sanitizing kennels and cages, off site adoption events and assisting with rabies vaccination clinics.

Our shelter volunteers assist adoption staff by introducing animals to potential adopters. Volunteers will also speak to potential adopters about the adoption process and answer questions.

The dogs, cats, puppies and kittens spend most of their time here in kennels and cages. Volunteers are essential in giving the animals the attention they need and deserve. The volunteers exercise the animals by taking them on walks and out on the play yard in order to meet their physical and emotional needs.

Shelter animals are very eager to learn and please. Animals with basic obedience training (sit, down, shake, walk on a leash) are adopted at a faster rate. We encourage volunteers to work with adoption animals on basic manners.

Upon entrance to adoption, we want to make sure our animals are clean and healthy. Volunteers may be asked to help bathe and brush animals.

Multiple daily cleaning and sanitizing of kennels and cages are time consuming and a necessity in preventing the spread of animal diseases. The shelter staff, along with volunteers, clean and sanitize kennels and cages. This is priority in taking care of our animals. We greatly appreciate any and all help cleaning kennels and cages.

Union County Animal Services participates in off-site adoption and community events throughout the year. Many animals are adopted through these types of events. Adoptable animals are given the opportunity to be adopted throughout the county and not just at the shelter. Volunteers are a vital part of off site adoption events. Volunteers assist shelter staff with preparing for the adoption event, bathing and brushing animals, event set up, public education about the shelter and explanation of adoption paperwork.

Every spring Union County Animal Services holds low cost rabies clinics at various locations throughout the county. Volunteers are needed to assist staff with location set up, issuance of rabies certificates and tags.

If you are interested in volunteering or have any questions, please contact Hailey Williams at 704-283-8303 or ucadopt@unioncountync.gov.