

15 Ways You Can Help a Pet in Need

- 1). Become a volunteer at your local animal welfare or rescue organization.
- 2). Make a donation to a local or national animal welfare or rescue organization.
- 3). Become a foster parent of a pet in need of a home until he is ready for adoption.
- 4). Socialize & obedience train a pet to increase the likelihood of his adoption.
- 5). Save or rescue a pet.
- 6). Adopt a sheltered dog or cat from an animal welfare organization or rescue group.
- 7). Socialize and obedience train your own pet so that she becomes a well-behaved and well-mannered member of your family and community.
- 8). Vaccinate your pets for rabies, parvovirus, distemper, hepatitis, leptospirosis, Bordatella, Lyme Disease, etc. Have her checked for heartworm and other worms, and any other infections diseases.
- 9). Spay/neuter your pet. There are far too many homeless animals that will eventually be killed, injured or euthanized.
- 10). Provide regular, on-going heartworm preventative & flea/tick preventative (usually on a monthly basis).
- 11). Visit your vet for regular check-ups and, of course, if you detect any signs of illness.
- 12). Provide proper food and shelter for your pet.
- 13). Provide responsible care for your pet.
- 14). Think carefully and responsibly before you adopt a pet. Adoption requires a LIFE-TIME commitment on your part.
- 15). Care for your pet until the very end. Don't surrender a sick or elderly pet to a shelter. Do the right thing and care for her, and if and when the time arrives where she no longer has quality of life, do the humane and compassionate thing. Have her euthanized to put an end to her suffering.