VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Please review the following and annotate on the application where you want to volunteer!

Animal Care: Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, 10:00am to 1:00pm. Animal care volunteers exercise, socialize, bathe and groom the dogs and cats in our care. New volunteers start out as Level 1 dog handlers and can walk only Level 1 dogs so designated on each dog's pen. The dog walking protocol will be provided on your first working day at the shelter. Handlers must attend a class before handling Level 2 dogs. Please ask the shelter manager or volunteer orientation coordinator about Level 2 information. Adoption counseling is not part of these duties, so please direct all inquiries from the public to the shelter manager or other designated shelter representative.

Adoption Counselors and Office Workers: Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays, 10:00am to 1:00pm. After an animal care volunteer has volunteered for several months at BAHS, on a regular basis, they are eligible to be trained as adoption counselors. Please ask the Shelter Manager or other designated shelter representative for more information.

Animal Transporters: All of our animals are spayed and neutered before being available for adoption. We transport these animals, as well as those who need other medical treatment, to local veterinarians, usually 1-3 times a week. Drop-off times are 7:00am to 8:00am in the morning, and pick-up is after 4:00pm. If this is something you could do on your way to work, and/or after work, it would be greatly appreciated.

Foster Volunteer: As needed, volunteers foster animals who may need more nurturing and socialization than shelter life provides. Fosters are also needed to bottle-feed newborn puppies and kittens. Once the animals are ready to be adopted, they must be returned to BAHS during open shelter hours, and/or brought to adoption events.

To get started, please complete the volunteer application, liability release and guideline agreement, and return the forms to the Shelter Manager or Volunteer Orientation Coordinator prior to orientation. You must attend a Volunteer Orientation Class prior to volunteering at BAHS. Classes take place the 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month. Sign up on our website under the VOLUNTEER tab.

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