Our volunteers are our most important asset and they do a remarkable job helping us help the animals. Volunteers help in almost every capacity of our operation. We are sure to have an opportunity that suits your interests and abilities.

If you would like to join our volunteer team, here is what you need to do:

1 - Complete an application. Applications are available at the Shelter or on our website at **www.bloomington.in.gov/animalshelter.**

2 - Be 16 years of age or older. Youth ages 13-15 can volunteer, but must be accompanied by a parent for all volunteer sessions.

3 - Attend a Volunteer Orientation Session. You will be contacted to reserve your spot after you submit your application.

4 - Make a commitment to volunteer once per week for at least 6 months.

If you have any questions please contact our Volunteer Coordinator, Kathy Obrakta by:

Phone:
812-349-3872

Email:
obraktak@bloomington.in.gov

IT'S YOUR CHOICE!

Caring, dependable volunteers are always needed. Choose the task that best suits your interests and abilities!

Adoption Counselor:
Greet visitors to our Adoption Center and help them select a pet to be part of their family. Review adoption applications and educate potential adopters about Shelter policies and procedures. Extensive training is provided.

Canine-ality and Feline-ality Testers:
Assess our adoptable dogs' and cats' personalities using a simple and fun series of exercises developed by the ASPCA. Extensive training is provided.

Cat Care:
Clean cat cages. Brush and socialize cats and give fresh food, water, litter and love.

Dog Walkers:
Take dogs for walks and playtime in our fenced yards. Exercise and mental stimulation makes for happier dogs.

Foster Program:
Provide a short-term home to shelter animals until they are adopted.

Front Desk:
Answer phones and assist with clerical work. Must have good computer skills and be able to work in a busy environment.

General Animal Care:
Take a two hour shift any day of the week helping wherever needed such as washing dishes, doing laundry, walking dogs or socializing cats.

Headstart Trainer:
Train our dogs in basic obedience commands and manners using a system of positive rewards. Extensive training is provided.

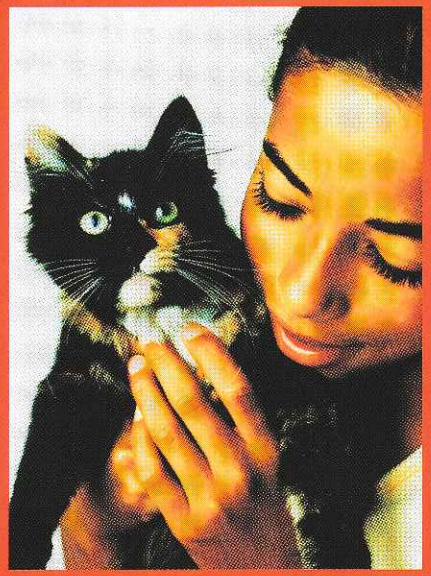
Photographer:
Join the "Say Cheese Committee" and take a weekly shift to photograph adoptable animals for our website and help produce our weekly adoptables posters.

Special Events Handlers:
Handle dogs and supervise cats at weekly offsite adoption events. Greet visitors and answer questions about animals for adoption.

Volunteers are a valuable part of the lifesaving work being done every day at the City of Bloomington Animal Shelter.

BECOME A VOLUNTEER TODAY!

Volunteers are needed EVERY DAY!



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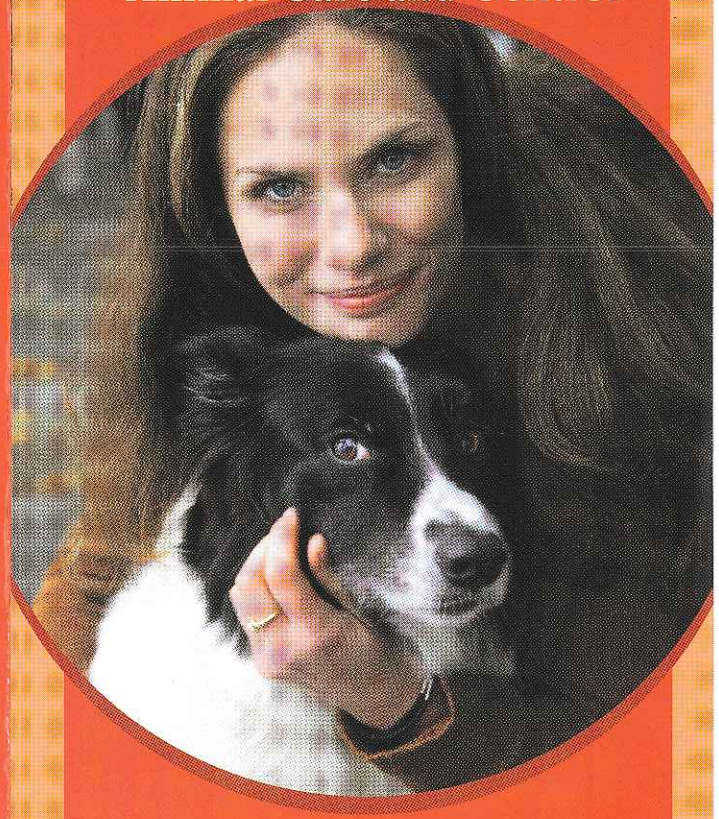

Volunteer Program

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